PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

NINETEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

Evangelical Lutheran Synod

OF

NEBRASKA,

CONVENED AT

BEATRICE, NEBRASKA,

SEPTEMBER 15-21, 1891.

REV. W. L. REMSBERG, Pastor *loci.*

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HELD IN

Beatrice, Neb., September 15th to 21st, 1891.

According to previous notice, the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska convened in Trinity Evangelical Lutheran church of Beatrice, on Tuesday evening, Sept. 15, 1891.

Rev. J. C. Jacoby, President of Synod, preached the opening sermon from John vi. 46, 47.

FIRST DAY.

9 A. M., SEPT. 16TH.

After devotional exercises of one-half hour, Synod was formally opened by the President by reading Scripture and prayer.

The roll was called.

Roll.

The following constitutes the roll of members in the Nineteenth Convention:

Clerical.	Entered Ministry.	Residence.	Lay Delegate.
1. W. F. Eyster	1841	Crete	J. J. Stein.
2. L. Knight	1845	Yutan.	
3. J. Zimmerman	1856	Lincoln	U. J. Martz.
4. J. G. Groenmiller	1857	Rockport, Mo.	
5. S. Aughey, LL.D.	1858	Hot Springs, Ark.	
6. J. F. Kuhlman	1858	North Platte.	
7. H. W. Kuhns, D. D.	1858	2433 Franklin St., Omaha.	
8. C. A. Fritze	1858	Hastings.	
9. G. H. Schnur, Sr	1860	Yutan	D. S. C. Alexander.
10. B. Sickel	1862	Rockport, Mo.	
11. H. Siekman	1862	Hastings.	
12. L. Groh	1863	Lincoln	A. W. Easterday.
13. M. L. Kunkelman	1866	McCook.	
14. J. A. Clutz, D. D.	1867	Atchison, Kan.	
15. B. F. Crouse	1867	David City	John M. Miller.
16. J. G. Griffith	1867	2411 Lake Street, Omaha	J. F. Wilhelmy.
17. H. C. Roernaes	1870	Norway, Kan.	
18. J. S. Detweiler, D. D.	1873	2518 Davenport St., Omaha.	
19. D. Z. Foulk	1873	Grand Island.	
20. J. A. Augustine	1874	Hastings.	
21. J. W. Kimmel	1876	Tekamah	G. A. Crannell.
22. F. W. Scheible	1876	Amazon.	
23. R. W. Petrea	1876	Pawnee City	Samuel Mosteller.
24. E. J. Hall	1877	McCook.	
25. C. Huber	1877	1819 Pinkney St., Omaha.	
26. B. F. Pugh	1877	Tekamah.	
27. W. L. Remsberg	1877	Beatrice	D. S. Zimmerman.
28. J. C. Jacoby	1878	306 S. 9th St., Nebraska City	E. H. Beuhlman.
29. H. O. Opsal	1878	Denver, Col.	
30. Wm. Rosenstengel	1878	Albuquerque, N. M.	
31. J. N. Zimmer	1878	Rising City	J. Fair.
32. L P. Ludden	1878	Lincoln	C. J. Ernst.
33. G. H. Albright	1879	Lincoln	Solomon Shrader.
34. A. T. Ludwig	1879	West Point.	
35. Fred. Gafert	1880	Grand Island.	
36. M. L. Melick	1880	Wayne	C. Flohr.
37. H. P. Hansen	1881	Denver, Col.	
38. G. S. Diven	1882	Wilber.	
39. F. M. Andreason	1883	Rapid City, S. D.	

Roll.—*Continued.*

Clerical.	Entered Ministry.	Residence.	Lay Delegate.
40. L. M. Kuhns	1885	2551 Pierce Street, Omaha	John A. Swobe.
41. C. W. Baker	1885	Auburn	L. L. Alspaugh.
42. W. C. McCool	1886	Ponca	A. D. Williams.
43. Carl Krueger	1886	Hooper.	
44. R. A. White	1886	Benedict	Henry Grobe.
45. E. Lee Fleck	1886	Sidney.	
46. A. J. Turkle	1886	511 S. 25th Street, Omaha	Allen Koch.
47. A. Jatho	1887	Sacramento, Cal.	
48. L. Schabinger	1887	St. Joseph, Mo.	
49. J. H. Karpenstein	1887	Ponca.	
50. G. Endrulat	1888	Home, Kan.	
51. H. J. Hapeman	1888	Dakota City.	
52. E. A. Roglin	1889	Schuyler.	
53. A. Yockle		St. Joseph, Mo.	
54. Fred. W. Buehler	1890	Glenville.	
55. Peter B. Fasold	1891	Sunbury, Pa.	W. H. Hogrefe.
56. A. C. Gearhart		Franklin	E. Keim (Stella).

The President then read the following report, which was received and referred to a Committee:

President's Report.

Beloved Fathers and Brethren of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska:

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all, Amen!

Another year of labor and toil, of trials and difficulties, nay, and of encouragements and blessings, has now passed away. It has no doubt marked a crisis in the history of our Synod. But we confidently believe that it will ripen into a bountiful harvest in the near future. To this end let us wait and pray. And with devout gratitude to God for His manifold blessings in the past, let us fervently pray that we may have the guidance and help of the Holy Ghost during the work of this Convention and of the ensuing year.

During the year many critical and momentous, and some painful duties, have been laid upon me, but I have tried by the help of God and the counsel of the brethren to discharge them all with an eye to equity and justice, and to the glory of God. I, therefore, submit to your prayerful consideration, the following report:

I. DISMISSALS.

September 27, 1890, Rev. Adam Stump, to the Synod of West Pennsylvania.

In view of the last item in the ex-President's report,* and after considerable correspondence and counsel, as a matter of expediency I finally concluded, on the 4th day of November, to grant individual letters of dismission to all our German brethren in good and regular standing, who should make personal application with the view of organizing the German Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska. The dates and names of these dismissals are as follows: November 20, Rev. J. H. Dirks; November 21, Rev. Wm. Thoele; December 1, Revs. O. L. Luschei and H. W. Fricke; December 5, Rev. Jacob Hediger; December 10, Rev. Julius Wolff; December 17, Rev. Chr. Moessner; January 15, 1891, Rev. J. Bond; February 4, Rev. G. Mueller; February 10, Rev. J. Gutleben; February 28, Rev. M. J. Tjaden; June 4, Revs. Fred. Schwarz and F. Spriegel; August 21, Rev. H. Schumann; August 26, Rev. Otto Roerig; September 10, Rev. R. Neumaerker.

December 15, 1890, Rev. Charles Anderson to the Puget Sound Association of the Congregational church.

December 16, Rev. J. F. Mueller to the Evangelical Synod of Iowa.

With a view of organizing the Rocky Mountain Synod as follows: April, 18, 1891, Rev. J. N. Lenker; April 22, Revs. M. J. Waage and C. Thomsen; April 29, Rev. K. J. Starner; May 4, Rev. J. C. Hougum.

August 28, Rev. D. Sprecher to the Southern Illinois Synod.

September 3, Rev. Peter Ewald to the Pittsburgh (Pa.) Synod.

II. APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION.

January 9, 1891, in response to a petition signed by Revs. C. Huber, Carl Krueger and Chr. Sick, I issued *ad interim* license to F. W. Buehler, in order to take charge of our Hays Co. work.

February 26, Rev. R. W. Petrea, from the Synod of Southern Illinois.

February 26, Rev. Henry J. Hapeman, from the Franckean Synod.

May 1, Rev. Geo. S. Diven, from the Wittenberg (O.) Synod.

May 26, Rev. L. Groh, from the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pa.

III. RESIGNATIONS.

1. October 1, 1891, Rev. A. C. Gearhart, Bloomington, Neb.
2. December 1, Rev. D. Sprecher, Dakota City, Neb.
3. March 1, 1891, Rev. J. N. Zimmer, Sabetha, Kans.
4. April 1, Rev. Peter Ewald, Stella, Neb.
5. June 30, Rev. L. L. Lipe, West Point, Neb.

IV. CALLS ACCEPTED.

1. December 1, 1890, Rev. Henry J. Hapeman, Dakota City.
2. January 1, 1891, Rev. R. W. Petrea, Pawnee City.
3. January 1, 1891, Rev. F. W. Buehler, Hays Co., Neb.
4. February 1, Rev. E. A. Roglin, Schuyler, Neb.
5. March 1, Rev. J. N. Zimmer, Rising City, Neb.

*See last item last President's report.

6. May 1, Rev. George S. Diven, Wilber, Neb.

7. May 1, Rev. L. Groh, St. Mark's, Lincoln, Neb.

V. INSTALLATIONS.

1. September 28, 1890, Rev. J. F. Kuhlman installed Rev. H. Schumann, pastor of the German Lutheran congregation near Ohiowa.

2. November 6, Rev. H. P. Hansen installed Rev. J. C. Hougum, pastor of the Norwegian Ev. Lutheran congregation of Leadville, Colo.

3. November 23, Rev. A. J. Turkle, of Kountze Memorial, Omaha, Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D., delivering the charge to the people and your humble servant that to the pastor, and officiating in installation service. We were assisted by Revs. W. A. Lipe and H. W. Kuhns, D. D., of Omaha.

4. April 5, 1891, Rev. R. W. Petrea, pastor of Zion's, Pawnee county, by your obedient servant.

5. June 7, Rev. F. W. Buehler, at Glenville, by Rev. Siekman.

VI. DEDICATIONS.

1. October 19, 1890, the Evangelical Lutheran church of South Sioux City, Revs. S. B. Barnitz, D. D., and J. N. Lenker assisting the pastor, Rev. D. Sprecher.

November 23, St. Paul's, Homer, Neb., Rev. C. Huber preaching the sermon and assisting the pastor, Rev. D. Sprecher, in the dedicatory service.

3. January 11, 1891, the First German Evangelical (Zion's) Lutheran church of Hooper. Rev. C. Huber preached the dedicatory sermon and made the appeal for money. Rev. H. W. Kuhns, D. D., assisted in the dedicatory service and preached in the evening.

4. January 18, St. Paul's German Evangelical Lutheran, Laramie, Wyo., by Rev. C. Thomsen.

5. July 19, the First Evangelical Lutheran of Pawnee City. Your President preached the dedicatory sermon, Rev. C. Huber managed the finances, and Rev. J. N. Lenker preached to an overflow meeting, and together with the pastor conducted the dedicatory service.

VII. NEW CONGREGATIONS ORGANIZED.

1. January 21, 1891, Rev. F. Gafert organized the St. John's German Ev. Lutheran Church of Hall co., Neb., with nine families.

2. January 22, Rev. C. Huber organized the First Ev. Lutheran Church of Lexington, Neb.

VIII. VACANCIES.

We have at present the following vacancies: West Point, Stella, Kearney and Lexington, Hays co.; and Stamford, Sabetha, Kansas; and Akron, Col.

Stella, Neb., and Sabetha, Kansas, are self-sustaining and very promising fields. The rest are not self-sustaining, but most of them promising fields.

October 1, Stella and Kearney and Lexington will have regular pastors.

IX. MISCELLANEOUS.

1. September 22, 1890, Rev. J. C. Hougum sent me a copy of the Constitution of the Bethlehem Norwegian Evangelical Lutheran Church of Leadville, Col., as per requirement at the last meeting of Synod. Finding the same satisfactory, I placed it on file with the Secretary, and ordered the name of the congregation recorded.

2. October 11, Rev. Luther P. Ludden, Secretary of the Committee appointed at your last meeting to ascertain by investigation the propriety of dividing the Rising and Surprise congregations into separate pastorates, reported conditionally, stating that the congregation at Surprise claimed to be able to support a pastor itself, while Rising, in view of a heavy debt on parsonage, claimed inability to do so; that Surprise insisted on a division, while Rising desired to remain as they were. The Committee therefore recommended that our Traveling Secretary, Rev. C. Huber, make a thorough canvass at Rising to ascertain what could be raised for pastor's support, and in case that an adequate support could be secured, the request of Surprise for a separation be granted, otherwise not. On account of illness and press of other work, your Traveling Secretary could not go, but at the request of your Committee on Traveling Secretary, your President made the canvass, resulting in a subscription and promises to the amount of about $400.00. Deeming this insufficient for the support of a pastor, and yet in deference to the desire of Surprise for a division, I referred the matter back to the Committee for reconsideration. They have not yet made a final report. In the meantime Rising has called a pastor and are doing what they can to support him. The adjustment of the matter now remains for the Synod to make.

3. December 4, I received a copy of the constitution of the First Evangelical Lutheran congregation of Leadville, Col. I found it satisfactory, and as per instruction of last meeting of Synod (pages 31, 32), placed it on file with the Secretary, and ordered the name placed on record.

4. January 23, 1891, Rev. M. J. Waage informed me that a new parsonage had been erected by the Scandinavian Lutheran church of Laramie, Wyo., to be ready for use about February 1st.

5. February 7, I received a report from your Committee in the case of Rev. Sickel, in view of which I suspended him from further ministerial duties to this meeting of Synod. The case will come before the Ministerium in due time.

6. May 10, Rev. F. W. Buehler, an *ad interim* licentiate, being in the midst of the drought sufferers, was compelled to cease work there, and by my consent changed his pastoral relations to Glenville.

7. At the last meeting of Synod, a Committee was appointed to investigate certain charges against Rev. C. A. Fritze. Your Committee made the investigation November 11, 1890, and found the accused guilty of charge No. 3 and specification No. 1. The following is their action: "The Committee recommend that the Council of St. Paul's German Evangelical Lutheran church (of Hastings) immediately take the necessary steps to have the court record

of their incorporation corrected by having placed on record their constitution as adoped and recorded in their book of record in July 1888, and that the copy of their constitution so recorded, together with the certificate of the county clerk, be sent to the President of Synod. And until said papers are received by the President of Synod, this charge shall not be dismissed." June 19, 1891, I received said copy of the above specified constitution, together with the clerk's certificate, and placed the same on file with the Secretary, and dismissed the charge.

8. July 29, charges against Rev. G. H. Albright, by the Church Council of the First English Evangelical Lutheran church of Rising City, were placed in my hands, on the basis of which I suspended him from the performance of ministerial duties till the meeting of this Synod, or such time as an impartial investigation of the case can be made. The case is herewith referred to the Ministerium for proper disposition.

9. August 3. Having been informed of the illness and consequent need of Rev. H. O. Opsal, in Denver, Colo., I issued postal cards to the brethren of Synod for collections for his relief. He has received about $50.00 in consequence of the appeal.

10. September 1, Rev. Wm. Rosenstengel informed me that he could not attend this meeting of Synod, and consequently could not deliver the German ordination address if needed. I therefore appointed Rev. J. G. Groenmiller to take his place.

11. September 10, Rev. J. G. Griffith informed me that St. Mark's, Omaha, had reduced its debt to $600.00, by raising $400.00 by special effort.

12. September 14, Rev. Luther M. Kuhns informed me that the Shull Memorial Evangelical Lutheran church of Omaha had made improvements to the amount of $125.00.

X. RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That in view of the new Synodical organizations about us, the State boundary line, as far as practicable, be regarded as our Synodical boundary line.

2. That a Committee be appointed to revise our Constitution so as to be in accord with our present needs.

3. The First Evangelical Lutheran, and the Bethlehem Norwegian Evangelical Lutheran congregations of Leadville, Colo., worship in the same church building, and are at variance with each other as to the hours each shall occupy the house. Inasmuch as the property belongs to the Board of Church Extension, I recommend that a Committee be appointed to adjust their trouble, with Rev. J. N. Lenker, Western Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, as an advisory member of that Committee.

4. That inasmuch as the constitution of the congregation at Hanover requires their pastor to belong to the Synod with which the congregation is connected, we request Rev. Carl Rumpf, their present pastor and a member of the Wartburg Synod, either to change his membership to our Synod or to sever his pastoral relations to that congregation.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. JACOBY.

BEATRICE, NEB., *Sept.* 16, 1891.

Resolved, That we interpret the amendment to our Constiution at the last meeting of Synod to mean that the present officers, directors, delegates and trustees shall hold over until the close of the present session of Synod.

Report of Standing Committee on Minutes of Last Session of Synod.

Committee No. 3, on Minutes of Last Year, made the following report.

The report was considered *seriatim* and adopted.

Your Committee on printed minutes of last year would respectfully report that we find the following deferred matter claiming the attention of Synod at this session:

1. On page 32, recommendation concerning our church at Leadville, Col. Has this been complied with?

Yes.

2. On page 35, preamble and resolution concerning our church at Rapid City. Has the transfer been made according to instructions?

Yes.

3. On pages 35 and 36, report of Committee on German Synod. Have the instructions of Synod been adhered to?

Referred to Committee on President's Report.

4. On page 37 of report of Committee No. 1, we find that item 4 recommends that item 5 of miscellaneous part of the President's Report be referred to the Ministerium, but the minutes of the Ministerium show that no action was taken thereon.

Referred to a committee—L. P. Ludden, C. Huber, A. W. Easterday, Committee.

Page 42, the last resolution in the report of the Committee on Resolutions, calls for a Synodical bulletin. We recommend that said resolution be carried out at this session of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

LUTHER P. LUDDEN,
G. H. ALBRIGHT,
J. ZIMMERMAN,
Committee.

List of Committees.

The President announced the following list of committees:

No. 1. *President's Report*—Rev. H. W. Kuhns, D. D., Rev. Conrad Huber, Mr. W. H. Hogrefe.

No. 2. *On Treasurer's Report*—Rev. J. G. Griffith, Rev. C. W. Baker, Mr. D. S. C. Alexander.

No. 3. *On Minutes of Last Meeting*—Rev. W. L. Remsberg, Rev. B. F. Crouse, Rev. L. Groh.

4. *On Applications of New Congregations*—Rev. R. A. White, Rev. B. F. Crouse, Mr. J. J. Stein.

No. 5. *On Minutes of North Platte Conference*—Rev. J. N. Zimmer, Rev. G. S. Diven, Mr. Henry Grobe.

No. 6. *On Minutes of South Platte Conference*—Rev. B. F. Pugh, Rev. M. L. Melick, Mr. J. H. Breidenbaugh.

No. 7. *On Apportionment*—Rev. E. L. Fleck, Rev. H. J. Hapeman, Mr. C. J. Ernst.

No. 8. *On State of Religion*—Rev. A. J. Turkle, Rev. D. Z. Foulk, Mr. E. Keim.

No. 9. *Resolutions*—Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D., Rev. L. Groh, Mr. E. H. Beuhlman.

No. 10. *Leave of Absence*—Rev. Luther M. Kuhns, Rev. J. G. Groenmiller, Mr. A. D. Williams.

No. 11. *On Excuses*—Rev. A. J. Turkle, Rev. R. A. White, Mr. D. S. Zimmerman.

No. 12. *On Letters and Papers*—Rev. W. F. Eyster, Rev. G. H. Schnur, Sr., Mr. Solomon Shrader.

No. 13. *On Standing Committees*—Rev. W. L. Remsberg, Rev. D. Z. Foulk, Rev. Fred. Gafert.

No. 14. *On Synodical Calendar*—Rev. B. F. Crouse, Rev. J. W. Kimmel, Mr. G. W. Crannell.

No. 15. *On Systematic Beneficence*—Rev. Luther M. Kuhns, Rev. A. J. Turkle, Mr. J. F. Wilhelmy.

The Secretary presented an itemized bill of eight dollars and ninety-five cents, which was allowed, and an order drawn on the Treasurer for the same.

On motion, the hours for meeting and adjournment of Synod were fixed as follows: From 9 to 12 a. m., and from 2 to 5 p. m.

The Treasurer presented the following report, which was received and referred to the Auditing Committee:

Treasurer's Report.

To the President and Members of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska:

HOME MISSIONS.

On hand as per last report	$115 25	
Received from Pastors	372 98	
	$488 23	
Paid to L. T. Appold, Treasurer	395 00	
Balance on hand		$93 23

CHILDREN'S HOME MISSIONS.

On hand as per last report	$9 23	
Received from Pastors	172 10	
	$181 33	
Paid to L. T. Appold, Treasurer	181 33	

CARRICO MISSION.

Received during year	$85 00	
Paid to L. T. Appold	60 00	
Balance on hand		25 00

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

On hand as per last report	$116 19	
Received from Pastors	437 00	
	$553 19	
Paid to O. F. Lantz, Treasurer	350 00	
Balance on hand		203 19

CHILDREN'S FOREIGN MISSIONS

On hand as per last report	$0 10	
Received from Pastors	76 49	
	$76 59	
Paid to S. W. Harman	64 67	
Balance on hand		11 92

INDIA COLLEGE.

Received during year	$25 00	
Paid to O. F. Lantz	25 00	

MUHLENBERG MISSION.

On hand as per last report	$1 85	
Paid to O. F. Lantz	1 85	

PRAYER HOUSE, INDIA.

On hand as per last report	$7 31	
Received during year	13 92	
	$21 23	
Paid to O. F. Lantz	21 23	

CHURCH EXTENSION.

On hand as per last report	$186 52	
Received from pastors	416 41	
	$602 93	
Paid to Jere Carl	470 00	
Balance on hand		132 93

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

On hand as per last report	$10 71	
Received from pastors	139 79	
	$150 50	
Paid to J. H. Lyday, Treas.	122 77	
Balance on hand		27 73

BENEFICIARY EDUCATION (ENGLISH).

On hand as per last report	$13 78	
Received during year from pastors	199 11	
	$212 89	
Paid to W. H. Blessing	175 00	
Balance on hand		37 89

BENEFICIARY EDUCATION (GERMAN).

On hand as per last report	$25 00	
Received from pastors	2 65	
	$27 65	
Paid to Rev. J. D. Severinghaus	26 50	
Balance on hand		1 15

CHICAGO SEMINARY.

On hand as per last report	$5 00	
Received from pastors	10 40	
	$15 40	
Paid to G. H. Knollenberg	15 40	

WAYNE ACADEMY.

Received from Pastors	$15 00	
Paid to Dr. G. H. Leisenring	15 00	

MIDLAND CONTINGENT.

On hand as per last report	$3 00	
Received from Pastors	29 00	
	$32 00	
Paid to Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D.	32 00	

MIDLAND LADIES' HALL.

Received from Pastors	$101 50	
Paid to Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D.	101 50	

ENGLISH ORPHANS' HOME.

On hand as per last report	$10 33	
Received from Pastors	96 72	
	$107 05	
Paid to F. C. Fink	103 45	
Balance on hand		$3 60

GERMAN ORPHANS' HOME.

On hand as per last report		$4 63	
Paid Rev. A. Oberlander		4 63	

PASTORS' FUND.

On hand as per last report		$16 22	
Received from Pastors		70 04	
		$86 26	
Paid to Dr. L. E. Albert		64 57	
Balance on hand			$21 69

TRAVELING SECRETARY.

Received from Pastors		$86 50	
Paid to Dr. P. S. Leisenring		86 50	

REV. H. O. OPSAL BENEFIT.

Received from Pastors		$44 94	
Paid to Rev. H. O. Opsal		44 94	

REV. B. F. PUGH BENEFIT.

Received from Pastors		$5 00	
Paid to Rev. B. F. Pugh		5 00	

SYNODICAL TREASURY.

On hand as per last report		$68 69	
Received from Pastors		258 55	
		$327 24	
Paid out on President's orders 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	$36 50		
" on English Minutes 1890	104 18		
" on German Minutes 1890	100 00		
" Rev. H. Siekman, exp. trip to Rockport, Mo.	7 75		
" Rev. P. Ewald, exp. trip to Rockport, Mo.	3 00		
" Rev. Knight, interest	8 00		
" Rev. J. C. Jacoby	5 95		
" Rev. L. M. Kuhns	2 00		
" Paid for postage and stationery	3 75		
		271 13	
Balance on hand			$56 11

GENERAL SYNOD TREASURY.

On hand as per last report		$15 56	
Received from Pastors		61 38	
		$76 94	
Paid to A. Gebhart	$94 00		
Balance overdrawn		17 06	17 06
	$94 00	$94 00	
Total Balances			597 38

SUMMARY.

Total on hand as per last report	$609 39
Total amount received during year	2719 46
	$3328 85
Total amount paid out during year	2731 47
Total Balance	$597 38

[*Statement.*]

PHILADELPHIA, *July* 31, 1891.

NEBRASKA SYNOD.

To the LUTHERAN PUBLICATION SOCIETY, Dr., Publishers, Booksellers and Stationers, No. 42 North Ninth Street. HENRY S. BONER, Superintendent.

Terms: Monthly settlements.

To Balance $153 27

[*Statement.*]

CHICAGO, *July* 1, 1891.

NEBRASKA SYNOD.

To SEVERINGHAUS & BEILFUS, Dr., Printers, 448 Milwaukee Avenue.

All accounts due on the first of every month.

To Balance	$56 00
August 17. By Cash	50 00
	$6 00

Please do not let us wait any longer, if you can help it.

I take pleasure in presenting the usual Treasurer's Exhibit, a detailed statement showing from whom funds were received and how distributed, and corresponding with the receipts which were always returned in acknowledgment of moneys received.

Accompanying this report are 77 vouchers accounting for the $2731.47 paid out.

I was enabled to pay off the indebtedness of $204.18 reported at last Synod, but the funds received for the Synodical Treasury were not sufficient to meet all requirements, and hence am obliged to report following as unpaid:

Lutheran Publication Society	$153 27
Festner Printing Co. Printing receipts	3 50
	$150 77

Messrs. Severinghaus & Beilfus were paid original amount of their account, but they claim $6.00 as interest on account; this I did not feel justified to pay without instruction.

As usual, heavy remittances came to hand the last ten days, in fact nearly the amount of the balances. If this could be avoided by remitting a little earlier, it would lighten the work of the Treasurer considerably.

Thanking all for the kindness and courtesy extended to me, I most respectfully submit my report.

J. F. WILHELMY,
Treasurer of Synod.

Treasur

	Name of Place.	Name of Pastor.	Home Missions.			Foreign Missions.				
			Regular.	Children's.	Carrico.	Regular.	Children's.	India College.	India Pioneer Mission.	
1	Atchison, Kans.	Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D.								
2	" "	" W. F. Rentz								
3	Auburn, Neb.	" C. W. Baker	$10 50	$5 00		$9 17	$6 33			$1
4	Beatrice, Neb	" W. L. Remsberg	1 10	3 10		2 56				
5	Belen, N. M	" W. Rosenstengel	5 10			1 90	4 45			
6	Bell Creek, Neb	" C. Sick		2 13						
7	Bethel, Neb	" R. A. White	2 21			7 35				
8	Benedict, Neb	" " "		4 78		4 00				
9	Bruning, Neb.	" I. N. Augustine								
10	David City, Neb	" B. F. Crouse	11 00			11 00				
11	Dakota City, Neb	" H. J. Hapeman	5 25			5 25				
12	Denver, Col	" H. P. Hansen	5 00							
13	Enterprise, Ia	" C. Huber	1 50	22 35		1 50				
14	Fontanelle, Neb	" C. Sick	24 50	7 00		24 50				
15	Grand Island, Neb	" F. Gafert	10 00			10 50				
16	" "	" D. C. Foulk	9 00							
17	" "	" J. N. Lenker								
18	Grace, Neb	" J. W. Kimmel	4 00	5 00		7 00	80			
19	Hastings, Neb	" H. Siekman				30 00				
20	" "	" C. A. Fritze								
21	Hooper, Neb.	" C. Krueger	8 00							
22	Homer, Neb	" H. J. Hapeman	2 75			2 75				
23	Laramie, Wyo		8 40			2 02				
24	" "	" C. Thomsen								
25	Lexington, Neb.	" C. Huber	1 00			1 05				
26	Leadville, Colo.	" K. J. Starner	4 50							
27	Lincoln, Neb.	" L. Groh	6 25			6 25				
28	" "	" L. P. Ludden	15 00		$5 00	8 00		$25 00		
29	Nebraska City, Neb	" J. C. Jacoby	14 59	5 06		14 59	5 00			
30	North Platte, Neb	" J. F. Kuhlman		20 78		3 93	12 07			
31	Oakland, Neb.	" J. W. Kimmel	2 30			2 25				
32	Omaha, Neb.	" A. J. Turkle	10 32	35 93		46 25				
33	" "	" J. G. Griffith	2 80	27 74		40 00	12 83			
34	" "	" L. M. Kuhns	2 85	5 50		3 05				
35	" "	" C. Huber			80 00					
36	Pawnee City, Neb	" R. W. Petrea		1 80						
37	Ponca, Neb	" W. C. McCool	19 00			17 00				
38	" "	" J. H. Karpenstein	23 53			16 25				
39	Potter, Neb	" D. H. Shultz								
40	Pocattelle, Neb.	" J. N. Lenker								
41	Rising City, Neb.	" J. N. Zimmer								
42	Roca, Neb.	" W. Eyster	7 75			7 75				
43	Rockport, Mo	" J. G. Groenmiller	25 00			25 00				
44	Salem, Neb.	" H. J. Hapeman	20 85			14 50	8 25			
45	Sabetha, Neb.	" C. Huber	18 50	4 25		18 50				
46	Stella, Neb.	" "	16 92	6 08		3 00	3 18		$13 92	
47	Sterling, Neb.	" J. Wolff								
48	Sidney, Neb	" L. E. Fleck	9 25			19 25				
49	Surprise, Neb	" G. H. Albright								
50	Tekamah, Neb.	" J. W. Kimmel	3 84	7 02		6 10	8 66			
51	Waverly, Neb	" J. Zimmerman	11 75	1 60		11 75	3 00			
52	Wayne, Neb	" M. L. Melick	10 00			10 00				
53	West Point, Neb	" L. L. Lipe	18 25			18 25				
54	Wilber, Neb	" C. Huber		3 00			6 92			
55	Yutan, Neb	" G. H. Schnur	16 00	4 02		15 00	5 00			
56	German Neb. Synod									
57	Synodical collection	Denver, Col	4 40			2 80				
58	Gen. Synod Delegates									
59	Lincoln, Neb., add'l	Rev. L. P. Ludden				7 02				
			372 98	172 10	$85 02	430 00	$76 42	$25 00	$13 92	4
			372 98	172 10	$85 02	417 00	$76 42	$25 00	$13 92	4

	Total	Rev. E. F. Pugh.	Rev. H. O. Opsal.	Traveling Secretary	Pastors' Fund	English Orphans' Home.	General Synod Treasury	Synodical Treasury	Midland L. Hall	Midland Contingent.	Wayne Academy	Chicago Seminary	German Immediary Education	English Immediary Education	Board of Publication	Luella Prayer House	
1	$12 00			$5 00				$4 00						$3 00			
2	5 65		$5 65					6 20					$10 40	6 50			98
3	85 25				$3 10	*	$1 25										
4	8 16						1 40										
5	12 45						1 00										
6	2 13																
7	19 36		1 40			2 10	.70							2 00			85
8	28 01		2 60		1 60	2 94	64	3 00						3 00			85
9	2 00							2 00						4 40			85
10	51 65		3 50		2 20		90	4 40						4 40			50
11	23 10				1 15		50	2 10									
12	5 00																
13	26 65							1 30						9 80			85
14	114 06				4 90		2 00	10 00									
15	36 55						1 02	5 10						3 60			50
16	*25 12							2 00									
17	2 00			6 00	1 30		2 20	3 60						5 90			80
18	48 70						3 00	3 50									
19	36 50		3 00					10 00									
20	13 00							8 00									
21	24 00							1 10						1 10			
22	12 00				55		22										
23	15 65						2 00										
24	1 00						1 00										
25	5 55							2 00									
26	4 50																
27	38 15		2 55			2 85	6 00	2 50						2 50			75
28	†87 96		6 36	12 00			1 00	3 00						3 00			74
29	87 86		6 72				1 64	8 20						8 20			
30	59 41					6 65											
31	11 75				1 00	4	30	1 00						2 00			
32	389 00			25 00	12 25	35 00	7 90	25 40			20 00			34 45			82
33	891 56		7 13	12 50	6 62	16 73	3 64	15 54	$100 00		4 00			16 60			38
34	29 68				1 80	1 00	73				1 00			3 50			25
35	80 00																
36	1 80																
37	83 95		5 00		3 40		1 36	6 80						6 80			76
38	96 45			6 00	3 25		1 30	13 00				$5 02	2 65	1 70			17
39	5 00																
40	3 62																
41	10 72					5 50	62	3 10						3 10			17
42	33 79				1 55		62	3 10						3 10			17
43	72 50													10 00			
44	94 10				2 90		3 66	5 80						11 60			
45	96 54				2 79	2 00	1 10	7 70			10 00			7 40			50
46	118 39			10 00	3 00		5 24	13 80						10 01			
47	15 00	$5 00															
48	58 34				3 85	5 00	1 74	3 70						3 70			62
49	2 70																
50	*44 80					1 00	65							3 70			62
51	53 60						93	2 46						4 70			62
52	40 20				1 00			2 50						5 70			62
53	53 95				2 85			7 30						7 30			62
54	90 06				1 40		60	2 75						2 75			95
55	88 92		1 00		3 00	7 00	1 48	10 00						5 10			34
56	50 00							50 00	1 50								95
57	9 90																
58	3 00						3 00										
59	29 00					8 50											
	$1710 46	$5 00	$44 94	$5 00	$86 90	$70 04	$61 36	$218 55	$101 50	$29 00	$15 00	$10 40	$10 40	$6 65	$12 63		79

* Additional remittance, but too late to go into report. † See additional at foot of table, No. 59.

Synod then adjourned to meet in Ministerium.

FIRST DAY—SECOND SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, 2 P. M.

Synod was opened with prayer.

Minutes of morning session read and approved.

Committee on Transportation reported verbally, that owing to the small number that pay full fare, no reduced rates can be had.

Synod then adjourned to enter upon committee work, to meet at the call of the President.

Synod was again called, and adjourned to meet in Ministerium.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

8 P. M.

The public services in the evening were in the interest of Home Missions.

The address was delivered by Rev. L. P. Ludden, of Lincoln.

SECOND DAY—FIRST SESSION.

THURSDAY, 9 A. M.

Devotional exercises of one-half hour.

Synod was opened with prayer.

Roll was called.

Minutes of previous session read and approved.

On motion, Rev. L. P. Ludden was constituted a committee to examine the former minutes of Synod as to our law on the closing of our Synodical year.

Report of Committee on Danish Association.

Your committee appointed to correspond with the Danish Evangelical Church Association, would report—

1. An informal meeting was held in May, at Blair, Neb., by the Committee, with some of these Danish brethren.

2. That while nothing definite has so far resulted from this correspondence, we recommend that a committee be appointed to continue these friendly relations.

H. W. KUHNS,
In behalf of Committee.

The report was adopted, and Revs. H. W. Kuhns, A. J. Turkle and J. G. Griffith were constituted said committee.

Resolved, That Rev. B. F. Crouse be requested to report the proceedings of this Synod to the *Lutheran Observer*, Rev. E. Lee Fleck to the *Lutheran Evangelist*, and Rev. J. G. Groenmiller to the German papers of the General Synod.

Report of Delegates to the General Synod.

The report was received and the recommendations were considered seriatim.

Pending the discussion of the third recommendation, the roll was called, and individual pledges taken to the sum of $300, and additional indefinite sums promised.

Report was adopted.

Report of the Delegates to the General Synod.

Your delegation to the last meeting of the General Synod, held at Lebanon, Pa., would respectfully present the following report:

The meetings of this Convention were characterized with peace and harmony. A spirit of activity and aggressiveness was manifested throughout.

The various Boards of the Church presented very encouraging reports. It is a matter to be regretted, however, that whilst large amounts of money had been contributed to the work of these Boards, much of it came from individuals by bequests and otherwise, for which we rejoice, but more should have come from Synods. Our own Synod has a deficit to the Boards of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, and Church Extension, of $1741.47. These figures need no comment; they ought, however, stir us up to greater diligence in this respect. There is no doubt but that the wrong lies at our doors as ministers of the gospel.

The cause of Education has made very encouraging advancement. The institutions under the special care of the Board are in a flourishing condition. We hail with great joy the prospect of the establishment of a Theological Seminary at Omaha, Neb.

The German Seminary at Chicago, Ill., received special attention. The

management of the same has now been entrusted into the hands of a Board, appointed by the General Synod. This Board is about securing the entire control of this matter.

The Board of Supplies reports the fact that there is a lack of available men in the ministry to supply the demands.

The liturgical question was settled in a very satisfactory manner.

Our publication interests are in a very favorable condition. $8500 were distributed among various objects to carry on the work of the Church.

The Pastors' Fund Society has been doing a blessed work. Its management is to be changed so that a regular Board will have charge of the same.

Four newly organized Synods made application to be received into connection with that body. Two of these were received, one was conditionally received, and the reception of the fourth postponed for two years.

Our Orphans' Home at Loysville, Pa., is doing a most blessed work. It needs more means to carry on the work properly.

The work of a Deaconess House is making advancement; the work is to be put into practical operation in the near future.

A Home for the Aged is about to be established at Washington, D. C. Ten acres of ground have been donated in the "Garden of the Gods," in Colorado, for the purpose of establishing an Invalid Lutheran Ministers' Home.

We are asked by General Synod to adopt more system in carrying on our work of beneficence in our congregations.

The Committee on "A Development of Luther's Small Catechism" was continued, with instructions to take note of all criticisms and present a report in two years.

The question of licensure was left as it has been.

The next meeting of the General Synod will be held at Canton, Ohio, the first Wednesday evening after Whitsunday, in 1893.

Your delegation would present the following resolutions for your adoption:

1st. That we as a Synod do herewith promise anew to co-operate most heartily with the various Boards of the General Synod in the carrying on of the work they represent in the name of the Church.

2d. That we apportion to the congregations now in our connection, the amounts apportioned to this Synod by the General Synod.

3d. That we now give the privilege to the members of Synod to make pledges toward the raising of the $500 promised by your delegation to the German Seminary at Chicago, Ill.

4th. That in accordance with the action of the General Synod, a Standing Committee be appointed on Systematic Beneficence, to aid pastors and congregations in adopting effective methods of systematic beneficence.

Respectfully submitted,

C. HUBER,
W. F. EYSTER,
W. L. REMSBERG.

Word having reached Synod announcing the death of Rev. William Thoele, a former member of this Synod, it was

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to draft suitable resolutions, and that we do now adjourn.

The President appointed Revs. C. Huber, J. G. Groenmiller and H. Siekman said committee.

Synod adjourned.

SECOND DAY—SECOND SESSION.

THURSDAY, 2 P. M.

Synod was opened with prayer.

Minutes of morning session read and approved.

Report of Committee on Traveling Secretary.

Report was received and the recommendations considered *seriatim*.

The first item was adopted, and Synod engaged in special prayer.

The report was then adopted as a whole.

Mr. President, Fathers and Brethren—The Committee on Traveling Secretary present the following report:

ORGANIZATION.

The committee as constituted at Denver a year ago, met January 13, 1891, and organized by the election of the following officers:

Chairman—Mr. J. F. Wilhelmy.
Secretary—Rev. Luther M. Kuhns.
Treasurer—Dr. P. S. Leisenring.

At the same meeting Rev. Conrad Huber was re-elected Traveling Secretary at a salary of $1200.

The terms of office of Mr. J. F. Wilhelmy, Rev. G. H. Schnur, Sr., and Dr. P. S. Leisenring expire with this year, and it becomes necessary for Synod to appoint a committee to nominate three members of this Committee, besides the President of Synod, who is *ex-officio* a member of the Committee, whose term of office shall be three years.

MEETINGS.

The meetings of the Committee are held quarterly on the second Tuesday in January, April, July, and October, for the transaction of business. The place of meeting is the Secretary Building, 1819 Pinkney St., Omaha.

THE SECRETARY.

The Secretary, in the discharge of his difficult duty, has been eminently faithful. Mention can not be made of all his labors. We must simply content ourselves with a summary of the Secretary's operations for the year:

Summary.

Places visited	63
Congregations supplied	17
Vacancies filled	10
Congregations organized	1
Parsonages built	1
Sermons and Addresses	143
Children Baptized	18
Funerals	2
Expenses of travel and postage	$100 48
Indebtedness liquidated	2375 00
Benevolence gathered	100 00
Miles traveled	23053

FINANCES.

Notwithstanding the financial depression the country is experiencing, Dr. Leisenring, the efficient Treasurer of the Committee, is able to make a most encouraging report. The following is the Treasurer's statement:

[*Statement.*]

Amount collected on subscription due in 1890	$539 25
" " " " 1891	745 24
Overdraft	92
Total amount received	$1285 41
Amount paid on account of salary Traveling Secretary	$1095 25
" " " expenses, "	190 16
Expenditures	$1285 41
Unpaid subscriptions due on or before January 1, 1891	$167 30
" " " " " 1892	417 50
Total subscriptions due	$584 80

The amount needed for all expenses is $418.08. This deficiency is due to the shrinkage on last year's subscription and the stringency in the money market. With the present outlook the amount necessary can easily be raised.

THE WORK.

Much of the work of the Committee is unwritten work, that is, it can be known only to those experiencing its blessings. But, through the gracious favor of our Heavenly Father, each year adds perceptible results to the efforts of this agency demonstrating its usefulness.

Through this Committee a sod parsonage is building in Hays county, at a

cost of $125.00. This will strengthen the work in this charge, where the salary of the pastor is only sufficient for the actual necessities of life.

A material change has taken place in our church affairs at Kearney. Where once hope seemed to have fled, a promising work now exists. More aggressive work has been deterred by the financial status of the property. With this the present work has had nothing to do. It is the purpose to make this an English work.

On the evening of January 22, 1891, after a thorough canvass of the field, a congregation was organized at Lexington. Eleven members representing five different nationalities formed this organization.

Kearney and Lexington have been served by the Secretary in an almost pastoral capacity, with the excellent result already mentioned. They are now in position to form a good, vigorous charge.

A number of our people live in the vicinity of Unadilla, Otoe county, where we have started a preaching station. Nothing definite has been done, however, in the matter of an organization. It is probable something can be done in this community.

RELIEF WORK.

Last year's drought brought suffering to a number of our people in portions of the state where the failure of crops was so severely felt. Appeals were made to us for help. Through the kindness and interest of a number of our pastors and congregations, much needed and Christian aid was rendered not a few of our own household of faith on the verge of a terrible want. Relief was sent to our people in Hays county, Red Willow, Hitchcock county, and Stamford, Nebraska. Thirty thousand pounds of corn, oats, wheat, and potatoes, were shipped to these places.

"To pity distress is but human, to relieve it is God-like."

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We recommend the following for your adoption:

1. *Resolved*, That with humble hearts we return thanks to God for the blessings He has given the Church in this work in the year now come to a close.

2. *Resolved*, That we assure those pastors and congregations assisting in the relief of our distressed brethren, of the appreciation we feel for their acts of Christian kindness.

3. *Resolved*, That the Committee be authorized to secure at least $1600 for the work of the next year, commencing January 1st, 1892; and that all expenses of the Committee on Traveling Secretary be paid out of the Treasury of that Committee.

4. *Resolved*, That, feeling the need of a continuous spiritual blessing upon the great work God has laid upon the Committee, and earnestly desiring a closer union and deeper sympathy between our churches and our Committee, we suggest to the Nebraska Synod, in convention assembled, to set apart a special

day of prayer for this work, to be observed by all the churches of the Synod, and Sunday preceding Thanksgiving be the day.

5. *Resolved*, That the Committee on Traveling Secretary be authorized to send circulars containing the most important information relative to the condition of the Church within our bounds to the churches for their use that day.

Respectfully submitted, LUTHER M. KUHNS,
Secretary of Committee.

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE.

Mr. J. F. Wilhelmy, *Chairman.*
Rev. Luther M. Kuhns, *Secretary.*
Dr. P. S. Leisenring, *Treasurer.*
Rev. J. C. Jacoby, *Ex-officio.*
Rev. G. H. Schnur, Sr.
Rev. A. J. Turkle.
Mr. Robert Weidensall.
Hon. Henry Sprick.
Mr. F. W. Petring.

Report of Committee on Minutes of South Platte Conference.

The report was received and the items considered. The resolutions were adopted by Synod and the Delegates to the next General Synod were requested to present them to that body for a deliverance on the subject.

The second item was referred to the Committee on President's Report.

The third item was referred to a special committee, with instructions to report upon the subject to-morrow morning.

The committee consists of Rev. C. W. Baker, B. F. Pugh and D. Z. Foulk.

Your Committee appointed to examine the Minutes of the South Platte Conference would respectfully report that on page 95 we find the question asked, if two resolutions in reference to dancing have been referred to Synod. Upon inquiry we find these resolutions have not been brought before this body. Protocol, page 76, appear the following resolutions:

"1. *Resolved*, That we recognize dancing as a dangerous amusement in its very incipiency, as unscriptural in its nature, and sinful in its practice.

"2. *Resolved*, That as pastors and churches we discourage and denounce it as such wherever practiced among our people.

"3. *Resolved*, That these resolutions be presented at the next meeting of Synod for its adoption."

Your Committee also find a protest entered by Rev. J. F. Kuhlman of North Platte against the action of the President of Synod. The same is "relegated to Synod for adjustment." We recommend that Synod take action upon the same.

On page 87 we find that Conference requests Synod to give a deliverance upon "our vacant congregations—who will have jurisdiction during the

interim, the President of Synod, the conference within whose bounds they are located, or the Committee on Traveling Secretary of Nebraska Synod?"

Respectfully submitted, B. F. PUGH,
M. L. MELICK,
J. H. BRIEDENBAUGH.

Report of Trustee of Carthage College.

Your representative and stockholder of Carthage College would respectfully report that he did not this year attend the meeting of the Board of Directors, it being impossible for him to do so, but by correspondence he is enabled to present the following:

1. The College is to be congratulated on account of the increased interest among its patrons. The college year was a success, and the number of students largely increased.

2. The matter of the transfer of the Carthage College stock held by this Synod was considered, and, according to a previous action of the Board, a desire is expressed that this Synod transfer its stock to the Synods upon the recognized territory of the College. They appreciate our kindly co-operation with them, but regard it best to have all the stock held by the Synods near by.

3. The Secretary of the Board will furnish quite a full statement for insertion in our Minutes, if desired, but on account of much work he has not sent it, and thinks that if the stock is transferred such report might not be desired.

4. *Recommendation.*—In keeping with my promise to the Board, and my own view also, I recommend that the stock of this Synod be transferred to the Board of Carthage College, to be distributed as it may think best.

Respectfully, G. H. ALBRIGHT,
Stockholder Carthage College.

Report adopted.

Report of Committee to Examine Minutes as to our Law on Synodical Year.

Your Committee appointed to examine the Minutes of Synod for a standing resolution concerning our financial year, would report that we have examined all copies of the Minutes turned over to us, and failed to find any standing resolution bearing upon this subject.

Respectfully submitted, LUTHER P. LUDDEN,

Report adopted.

Partial Report of Committee on President's Report.

Your Committee, to whom was referred the report of the President, would herewith present a partial report of its work.

Under "Miscellaneous," item 9, sec. ix., we find reference made to the suspension of Rev. G. H. Albright.

Inasmuch as this matter will claim the attention of the Ministerium of this body, your Committee would recommend that it be referred to that body.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. KUHNS,
C. HUBER,
W. H. HOGREFE.

Adopted.

On motion, an order was drawn on the Treasurer in favor of Rev. J. C. Jacoby in the sum of $16.95, for expenses during the last synodical year.

Report of Committee on Minutes of North Platte Conference.

Your Committee have examined the Minutes of the North Platte Conference, and find that two Conference meetings were held during the year. On page 131 there appear certain resolutions having reference to the closing on the Sabbath day of the Columbian Exposition, to be held in Chicago in 1893. Some action on the part of Synod is requested. We recommend that this matter be referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

J. N. ZIMMER,
G. S. DIVEN,
HENRY GRABE,
Committee.

Adopted.

Report of Statistical Secretary.

The report was accepted and the following was adopted:

Resolved, That the financial year and the Synodical year (so far as Parochial Reports are concerned) end each and every year August 31st.

Report of Statistical Secretary.

Mr. President and Brethren: The Statistical Secretary offers the following report:

1. In accordance with the instruction given at the Denver Convention, the Statistical Secretary wrote each of the absent brethren, who had failed to send their parochial and supplementary reports to Synod, requesting them to send their reports at once. Most of the brethren complied with the request; some of the reports were received after the Minutes were in press (page 42, Minutes 18th Convention).

2. The parochial, supplementary and state of religion report blanks were sent every member of Synod.

3. The statistical tables make the following exhibit for the Synodical year ending September 9th, 1890: Churches, 87; stations, 38; prayer-meetings, 36; students for ministry, 7; catechumens, 491; *losses:*—by death, 84; certificate, 91; excommunication and other losses, 107; *accessions:*—infant baptisms, 645; adult baptisms, 60; confirmation, 288; certificate, 179; restorations, 37; communicant membership, 4,022; value of church property,

$382,237; indebtedness, $56,071.92; local expenses for all objects, $58,584.11. *Sunday schools:* Lutheran, 64; union, 4; officers and teachers, 370; members of Children's Missionary Society, 315; for support of school and local objects, $2,842.08; scholars, 4161; for benevolence, $387.70. *Benevolent contributions:*—General Synod, $51.01; Synodical Treasury, $306.70; Home Missions, $607.68; Foreign Missions, $533.63; Church Extension, $459.92; Board of Education, $180.94; Beneficiary Education, $129.36; Woman's Missionary Society, $542.14; Pastors' Fund, $61.18; Orphans' Home, $88 75; external objects, $1935.08; total benevolence, $4978.83; grand total, $62,272.54.

The supplementary parochial report shows the following: Chicago Seminary Building Fund, $241.03; Wayne Academy, $87; Midland College Endowment Fund, $333.65; Traveling Secretary, $924.13; total, $1435.81.

Of the congregations reporting, 25 report an excess and 27 a deficit on the apportionment. The excess is $921.95, and the deficit is $734.48, making a balance in favor of the excess of $187.47. The average per capita paid by the members of the churches of this Synod for benevolence was $1.24 for 1890.

RECOMMENDATION.

It is recommended that the following be made the standing rule of Synod: *Resolved*, That all parochial reports be sent by the members of Synod to the Statistical Secretary not later than the Monday next preceding the meeting of Synod.

Respectfully submitted, LUTHER M. KUHNS,
Statistical Secretary.

Report of Committee on Time and Place of Next Meeting.

Your Committee on Time and Place of Next Meeting would recommend that the next meeting of Synod be at Ponca, and that the time be left with the officers of Synod and Pastor *loci*.

Adopted.

Resolved, That we apportion $400 to our congregations for Synodical Treasury.

Synod adjourned with prayer.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SERVICES.

The services this evening were in the interest of Foreign Missions. The sermon was delivered by Rev. A. J. Turkle, of Omaha.

THIRD DAY—FIRST SESSION.

FRIDAY, 9 A. M.

After the usual devotional exercises, Synod was opened.

Roll called.

Minutes of previous session read and approved.

Report of Committee No. 12.—On Letters and Papers.

The report was received and considered *seriatim*.

Report adopted.

1. An official letter from the Secretary of the General Synod calls the attention of this Synod to the action of the General Synod at its last Convention, as to a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the General Synod, found on page 74 of the minutes of that body. As such amendment requires the consent of two thirds of the District Synods, it is herewith submitted to our Synod for its present action.

The desire is to substitute in Article V, Sec. 1 of the Constitution, in place of the words, "a majority of the delegates," the words found on page 204, in By-law 4, "a majority of the Synods attached to the General Synod."

Your Committee recommends the following action:

Resolved, That the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska hereby accepts and approves the amendment proposed, to substitute for "a majority of delegates," the words, "a majority of the Synods attached to the General Synod."

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Synod be instructed to transmit to the Secretary of the General Synod an official copy of this action.

2. A communication from St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran church of Barada, Neb., requests an honorable dismissal from this Synod to the German Synod of Nebraska.

We recommend that the request be granted and letter forwarded.

3. A letter from St Paul's Lutheran church at Laramie, requesting an honorable dismissal to the Rocky Mountain Synod.

We recommend that the request be granted and letter forwarded.

4. A note from Rev. L. M. Kuhns to the President of Synod informs him that he has arranged with the Omaha papers, the *Bee* and the *World-Herald*, to have their Beatrice correspondents report proceedings of this Synod for their papers.

We recommend that Synod hereby accepts and gratefully acknowledges the courtesy of the above papers.

5. Two communications from Rev. Dr. Detweiler.

The first expresses his regret that his engagement in the work of the Board

of Education in a far distant place will prevent his attendance at this meeting of Synod, and gives some interesting details of the nature and importance of the work of the Board of Education, and also asks the continued interest of this Synod.

We recommend that Dr. Detweiler's letter be publicly read before Synod, and that this body hereby pledges itself to an earnest co-operation in this important cause.

In his second letter, Dr. Detweiler requests that his name be omitted from the Parochial Report in tabulated form, and appear simply on the roll of membership.

Owing to the fact that the General Synod publishes our Parochial Reports with their minutes, thus making it a part of their printed record, we regret that we cannot recommend the granting of the request.

6. A letter from Rev. H. H. Weber, General Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, sends kind greetings to this Synod, and expresses the desire that the interests of the Board he represents shall be faithfully and prayerfully borne in mind.

We recommend that this Synod hereby acknowledge the fraternal greeting of Rev. H. H. Weber, General Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, and express anew its hearty interest in the work of that Board and its purpose to continue its active co-operation.

7. A note from Rev. S. B. Barnitz, D. D., General Secretary of Home Missions states that he expects to be present at our sessions on Friday next, and requests that business specially relating to Home Missions be deferred until the time of his arrival.

This Synod is always glad to receive the visits of the Western Secretary of Home Missions, and will doubtless be glad to receive his suggestions in relation to the vital cause he so faithfully represents.

8. Two letters from Rev. H. O. Opsal, a member of this Synod, now residing in Denver, Col., contain a statement of his severe and protracted illness and of his great pecuniary need, also a grateful acknowledgement of some help sent him through the Treasurer of our Synod by certain churches, and an earnest request that Synod endorse his application for aid from the Pastors' Fund Society of the General Synod. A certificate is enclosed, signed by F. W. Miles, M. D., testifying that Rev. H. O. Opsal has been under his care since August 16th, and that he has been suffering with asthma and chronic bronchitis, and is wholly incapaciated from work of any kind.

We recommend that the President of Synod be authorized to endorse Bro. Opsal's application for aid to the Pastors' Fund Society, in such manner as the circumstances of the case may seem to him to justify and require.

9. A letter from Rev. L. L. Lipe states that distance from our place of meeting and permanent removal from the bounds of our Synod, are the reasons for his absence from this Convention. He further requests a dismissal from this Synod to the Synod of Northern Illinois.

We recommend that Bro. Lipe's absence be excused, and a letter of honorable dismissal to the Synod of Northern Illinois forwarded him, with Synod's best wishes and prayers for his future welfare.

10. Is the report of the Chairman of the Committee appointed by Synod at its last meeting, to effect, if possible, an amicable division of the Rising Charge, embracing Rising and Surprise congregations, into two separate charges. From this report it appears that the Committee attended to the duty assigned them, but with partial success, one congregation, Surprise, urging its request for division, and the other, Rising, objecting.

Under the peculiar state of existing circumstances, the Committee recommends that Synod recognize the division of the charge as at present.

W. F. EYSTER,
G. H. SCHNUR,
S. SHRADER.

Report of Committee on Resolution of South Platte Conference.

Your Committee appointed on Resolution of South Platte Conference, asking for a deliverance on the subject, "Our vacant congregations—who will have jurisdiction during the interim? The President of Synod, the Conference within whose bounds they are located, or the Committee on Traveling Secretary?" respectfully report, that in their opinion there can be but one answer; and that answer according to our Formula of Government, Chapter IX., Sec. 6, and Chapter XIII., Secs. 1 and 2, is that the President of Synod has jurisdiction in such cases.

C. W. BAKER,
D. Z. FOULK,
B. F. PUGH.

Adopted.

Rev. S. B. Barnitz, D. D., Western Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, was received and made an advisory member of Synod, and 3:30 to-morrow was fixed as a special order to hear him in behalf of that Board.

Resolved, That if the matter of Rev. Crouse in regard to his hotel bill at Denver during last Convention of Synod cannot be satisfactorily arranged within three months, that this Synod pay said bill.

Report of Committee on Standing Committees.

ADVISORY BOARD OF HOME MISSION.

Rev. W. L. Remsberg, Rev. W. C. McCool, Rev. Karl Krueger, and Rev. M. L. Kunkleman.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE.

Revs. H. W. Kuhns, D. D., W. F. Eyster, J. A. Clutz, D. D., L. Groh and B. F. Crouse.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

Rev. W. L. Remsberg, Rev. W. C. McCool, Rev. J. G. Griffith, Mr. C. J. Ernst, and Mr. L. F. M. Easterday.

COMMITTEE ON TRAVELING SECRETARY.

Rev. A. J. Turkle, Rev. G. H. Schnur, Rev. Luther M. Kuhns, Rev. W. L. Remsberg, Mr. Robert Weidensall, Mr. J. F. Wilhelmy, P. S. Læisenring, M. D., and Hon. Henry Sprick.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Rev. L. P. Ludden, Rev. J. G. Griffith, Rev. A. J. Turkle, Mr. J. F. Wilhelmy, and Mr. Allen Koch.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. REMSBERG,
D. Z. FOULK,
FRED. GAFERT,

Report adopted.

Report of Committee on Applications of New Congregations.

Your Committee on reception of New Congregations would report that no written applications were received, but we are informed that the First English Lutheran congregation of Lexington, Neb., intended to apply during this session of Synod for membership to this body. We recommend that this congregation be received, so soon as their constitution be placed in the hands of the President and found in harmony with our Formula of Government.

R. A. WHITE,
B. F. CROUSE,
J. J. STEIN,
Committee.

Adopted.

Rev. J. N. Lenker, Western Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, was received as an advisory member of this Synod, and to-morrow, immediately after the divine service in the evening, an opportunity will be given him to speak in behalf of the Board.

Synod adjourned with prayer.

THIRD DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The public services in the evening were in the interest of Church Extension.

Sermon by Rev. E. Lee Fleck, of Sidney.

FOURTH DAY—FIRST SESSION.

SATURDAY, 9 A. M.

Synod was opened with prayer.

Roll called.

Minutes read and approved.

The Statistical Secretary reported that he had performed his duty assigned him by this Synod last year, and read a most kind letter from Mr. Kountze.

Report of Advisory Board of Home Missions.

The report was received and considered seriatim. The fourth item was referred to a special committee, consisting of Rev. J. G. Griffith, Rev. C. W. Baker and Mr. A. W. Easterday.

Report adopted.

1. *Auburn.*—Under the efficient management of this field by their pastor, Rev. C. W. Baker, the most commendable progress in their general work has been made. The spirit of benevolence has been greatly developed, an indebtedness on parsonage liquidated, the lecture room refitted, the Sunday-school greatly enlarged in numbers, as also the attendance at their regular church services. The interest in the Sunday-school, prayer-meeting, and the church services, is steadily increasing. A wide-awake Luther Alliance is hard at work. Both pastor and people feel much encouraged.

2. *Beatrice.*—This Mission has been struggling with a heavy debt, but by the persistent effort of the pastor, Rev. W. L. Remsberg, the debt has been reduced. The prospects for this Mission are encouraging.

3. *Benedict.*—The spiritual life of this Mission has been greatly developed during the past year, a number of new members added to the church, and a debt of $1000.00 on the parsonage is about to be liquidated. Rev. R. A. White is the pastor, and he and his people feel much encouraged.

4. *Bloomington.*—This Mission has been under the care of our Traveling Secretary part of the year, but is now a part of the Republican Valley Mission under the pastoral care of Rev. M. L. Kunkleman. The entire field now consists of McCook, Bloomington, Franklin, and other points along the Republican Valley. This field suffered seriously from the recent drouth, and greatly multiplied the labors of their pastor. The general work in this field is moving forward as well as could be expected under the circumstances.

5. *David City.*—Rev. B. F. Crouse is the pastor, and the work is developing as rapidly as we could reasonably expect. Their church services are well attended. The Sunday-school and prayer-meeting also are doing well.

6. *Denver, Colo.*—As the pastor of this field, Rev. H. P. Hansen, has been away to his native land for several months, we have nothing directly from him concerning this field.

7. *Hays County Mission.*—Rev. F. W. Buehler, an *ad interim* licentiate of this Synod, took pastoral charge of this field in midwinter. But because of the drought-suffering and having no place to lodge, he was soon compelled to relinquish his work. A sod parsonage, to cost about $150, is now being built there. The field is inhabited by an excellent class of German people, but owing to the drought and partial failure of crops preceding, the people are unable to do much toward the support of a pastor; but this is one of our hopeful German fields.

8. *Lincoln, St. Mark's.*—Rev. L. Groh has been the pastor of this congregation since May 1. They built the basement for a new church, properly enclosed it, and are now using it as a place of worship. Their location is at 1519 Q street. The work now seems to us to be on a hopeful basis.

9. *Lincoln, Grace.*—Is located at the corner of 10th and K streets, with Rev. Luther P. Ludden as pastor. They have an interesting Sunday-school of 75 scholars and teachers. Their church and prayer-meeting services are well attended, and the work is hopeful. They are at present worshipping in an old Campbellite church, which has been temporarily rented. The great need of this enterprise is a permanent church home. This field, though under the Home Mission Board, is not now receiving any aid from the Board.

10. *North Platte* has been under the pastoral care of Rev. J. F. Kuhlman as a supply during the past nine months. Since Rev. Kuhlman has been serving this field no aid from the Home Mission Board has been asked, though they have not been declared self-sustaining. The field is a hopeful one, but not having had direct communication with the field, we cannot speak definitely of its present progress.

11. *Pawnee Co.*—This field consists of one congregation and one preaching station, viz., Pawnee City (a preaching station) and Zion's congregation, about eight (8) miles distant. This charge only recently (January 1) called a regular pastor, Rev. R. W. Petrea, and became a mission. They dedicated their church in Pawnee City July 19. The building was formerly owned by the U. Presbyterian church, but was purchased at a nominal figure, by the aid of the Board of Church Extension, and refitted by the people, and now affords a comfortable church home for them at an entire cost of about $1,000, of which about $100 is unpaid. As yet no organization has been effected here, but the Sunday-school and church services are as well attended as could be expected under the circumstances.

The Zion's congregation has a good church property, but has been somewhat embarrassed with a debt of about $700.00. This is an excellent farming community, populated by a most excellent people, and a most promising field. Rev. Petrea and his excellent wife feel much encouraged.

12. *Sante Fe, N. M.*—Rev. Wm. Rosenstengel is the faithful pastor here. The work, from its very nature, must be slow. But it is the beginning of a

great work. A Congregational church at Belen has been purchased and paid for, the people paying $250.00 and the Board of Church Extension $250.00.

13. *Sidney.*—Rev. E. Lee Fleck pastor. The debt on their organ has been removed. The attendance at prayer meeting and the church service has been gradually increasing, and the interest and attendance in Sunday-school has been greatly increased.

14. *Stamford* has been vacant nearly the entire year, and under the care of the Traveling Secretary. This field also is in the drouth-stricken district, and has received aid in the way of seed, flour and clothing, through the generosity of some of our pastors and people. We know nothing special about the work in this field.

15. *Wayne.*—Rev. M. L. Melick, pastor. This congregation is moving hopefully along, with but one discouraging feature, viz., heavy removals. This unsettled state of mind in so many of our people is greatly to be deplored.

16. *West Point.*—This field became vacant July 1, but hopes to secure the services of a regular pastor soon. The Sunday-school and church, under the efficient management of Rev. Lipe, their pastor, became well organized, and only needs the service of an efficient pastor to insure prosperity.

17. *St. Mark's, Omaha*, recently, by the special effort of their pastor, Rev. J. G. Griffith, has reduced its debt from $1000.00 to $600.00. The church location is somewhat disadvantageous, no doubt, to their progress. The pastor and people are working faithfully to advance the Master's work among them.

18. *Kearney and Lexington.*—Rev. W. H. Naffziger has just commenced his labors in this field. For the past year it has been under the care of the Committee on Traveling Secretary. Not much advancement could be made under the circumstances, with the great amount of labor on the hands of this Committee. We have here a field that promises great results for earnest, faithful efforts.

In the main, our mission fields are doing all that could reasonably be expected of them. But the following figures do not speak so well of the churches of our Synod in the matter of supporting this work. The contributions for Home Missions from 1888 to 1891 are as follows: 1888, $893.76; 1889, $545.70; 1890, $507.68; 1891, $545.08. That is to say, we gave for Home Missions in 1891 $348.68 less than in 1888. Brethren, these things ought not so to be. To be sure, depression in the money market, failure of crops, and the drought in certain districts, are the causes assigned for this. But our aggression in the work should have balanced the depression from other sources, so that under more favorable financial circumstances we might each year take advance steps in this work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. JACOBY,
W. C. McCOOL,
KARL KRUEGER, } Members of the Committee absent from Synod.
H. P. HANSEN.

Report of the Committee on Excuses.

Your Committee on Excuses beg leave to report the following:

1. Letters from the following brethren have been received, giving satisfactory reasons for their absence: Revs. Karl Krueger, J. F. Kuhlman, S. Aughey, E. J. Hall, J. S. Detweiler, C. Sick, L. Knight, Wm. Rosenstengel, and Messrs. C. J. Ernst and J. A. Swobe. We recommend that these brethren be excused.

2. A letter from Rev. A. T. Ludwig. The reasons assigned by this brother we deem insufficient, and recommend that he be not excused.

3. A letter from Rev. M. L. Kunkelman, in which he states that circumstances beyond his control prevent him from being present. Inasmuch as he does not say what these circumstances are, we recommend that he be not excused.

A. J. TURKLE,
R. A. WHITE,
J. J. STEIN,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Report of the Auditing Committee.

Your Committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's report have carefully examined the same and find it correct.

Resolved, That we appreciate the labors of our Treasurer and the careful and exact manner in which he has kept his accounts, and our thanks are hereby extended to him.

J. G. GRIFFITH,
C. W. BAKER,
D. S. C. ALEXANDER,
Committee.

Rev. Mr. Ingram, of the Christian Church, was introduced to Synod and invited to a seat among us.

Resolved, That an order be drawn on the Treasurer in favor of the Statistical Secretary to the amount of $1.25.

Resolved, That we appoint a Standing Committee as an Education Committee, consisting of three clerical and two lay members.

Resolved, That our Treasurer be asked to write to the German Publication House, in the name of the Synod, and kindly ask the same to cancel the interest it has been demanding.

Report of Committee No. 7—On Apportionment.

	No. of Members.	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Church Extension	Board of Education	Pastors' Fund	General Synod	Beneficiary Education	Synodical Treasury	Grand Total
Per Member.		.23	.25	.25	.07	.05	.02	.16	.16	
Albuquerque, N. M.	36	$9 00	$9 00	$9 00	$2 52	$1 80	$0 72	$5 76	$5 76	$42 36
Auburn, Neb.	81	20 25	20 25	20 25	5 67	4 05	1 62	12 96	12 96	98 01
Akron, Col.										
Beatrice, Neb.	71	17 75	17 75	17 75	4 97	3 75	1 42	11 36	11 36	85 91
Benedict (Bethel)	35	8 75	8 75	8 75	2 45	1 75	70	5 60	5 60	42 35
" (Zion's)	41	10 25	10 25	10 25	2 87	2 05	82	6 56	6 56	47 61
Bruning, Neb.	12	3 00	3 00	3 00	84	60	24	1 92	1 92	14 52
Carrico, Neb.	55	13 75	13 75	13 75	3 85	2 75	1 10	8 80	8 80	66 55
Central City, Neb.	8	2 00	2 00	2 00	56					
Dakota Co. (Salem)	67	16 75	16 75	16 75	4 69	3 35	1 34	10 72	10 72	81 07
DakotaCity (Emanuel)	16	4 00	4 00	4 00	1 12					
Dakota Co. (Homer)	19	4 75	4 75	4 75	1 33	95	38	3 04	3 04	22 99
" (S. SiouxCity)	5	1 25	1 25	1 25	35	25	10	80	80	6 05
David City, Neb.	66	16 50	16 50	16 50	4 62	3 30	1 32	10 56	10 56	79 86
Dennis, S. D.	24	6 00	6 00	6 00	1 68	1 20	48	3 84	3 84	28 84
Denver, Col.	42	10 50	10 50	10 50	2 94	2 10	84	6 72	6 72	50 82
Glenville, Neb.	86	21 50	21 50	21 50	6 02	4 30	1 72	13 76	13 76	104 06
Grand Island (English)	37	9 25	9 25	9 25	2 59	1 85	74	4 92	4 92	44 77
" (German)	49	12 25	12 25	12 25	3 43	2 45	98	7 84	7 84	59 29
Hanover, Kan.	75	18 75	18 75	18 75	5 25	3 75	1 50	12 00	12 00	90 75
Hastings (Rev. Fritze)	43	10 75	10 75	10 75	3 01	2 15	86	6 88	6 88	52 03
" (Rev. Siekman)	32	8 00	8 00	8 00	2 24	1 60	64	4 12	4 12	38 72
Lexington, Neb.	10	2 50	2 50	2 50	70	50	20	1 60	1 60	12 10
Lennox, S. D.	30	7 50	7 50	7 50	2 10	1 50	60	4 80	4 80	36 30
Lincoln (St. Mark's)	26	6 50	6 50	6 50	1 82	1 30	52	3 16	3 16	31 46
" (Grace)	33	8 25	8 25	8 25	2 31	1 65	66	2 68	2 68	39 93
McCook, Neb.	20	5 00	5 00	5 00	1 40	1 00	40	3 20	3 20	24 20
Nebraska City, Neb.	73	18 25	18 25	18 25	5 11	3 65	1 46	11 84	11 84	88 33
North Platte, Neb.	98	24 50	24 50	24 50	6 86	4 90	1 96	15 68	15 68	117 78
Norway, Kan.	45	11 25	11 25	11 25	3 15	2 25	90	7 20	7 20	54 45
Oakland (Trinity)	37	9 25	9 25	9 25	2 59	1 85	74	4 92	4 92	44 77
" (Grace)	16	4 00	4 00	4 00	1 12	80	32	1 56	1 56	19 76
Omaha (Kountze Mem.)	180	45 00	45 00	45 00	12 60	9 00	3 60	28 80	28 80	217 80
" (St. Mark's)	67	16 75	16 75	16 75	4 69	3 35	1 34	10 72	10 72	81 07
" (Shull Mem.)	50	12 50	12 50	12 50	3 50	2 50	1 00	8 00	8 00	60 50
Orleans, Neb.	6	1 50	1 50	1 50	42	30	12	96	96	7 26
Pawnee Co., Neb.	8	2 00	2 00	2 00	56	40	16	1 28	1 28	9 68
Ponca (English)	81	20 25	20 25	20 25	5 67	4 05	1 62	12 96	12 96	98 01
" (German)	67	16 75	16 75	16 75	4 69	3 35	1 34	10 72	10 72	81 07
Potter, Neb.	8	2 00	2 00	2 00	56	40	16	1 28	1 28	9 68
Rising City, Neb.	40	10 00	10 00	10 00	2 80	2 00	80	6 40	6 40	48 40
Roca, Neb.	35	8 75	8 75	8 75	2 45	1 75	70	5 60	5 60	42 35
Rockport, Mo.	9	2 25	2 25	2 25	63	45	18	1 44	1 44	10 89
Sacramento, Cal.	147	36 75	36 75	36 75	10 29	7 35	2 94	23 52	23 52	175 87
Sabetha, Kan.	48	12 00	12 00	12 00	3 36	2 40	96	7 68	7 68	58 08
Sidney, Neb.	37	9 25	9 25	9 25	2 59	1 85	74	4 92	4 92	44 77
Stamford, Neb.	20	5 00	5 00	5 00	1 40	1 00	40	3 20	3 20	24 20
Stella, Neb.	76	19 00	19 00	19 00	5 32	3 80	1 52	12 16	12 16	91 96
St. Joseph, Mo.	130	32 50	32 50	32 50	9 10	6 50	2 60	20 80	20 80	157 30
Surprise, Neb.	34	8 50	8 50	8 50	2 38	1 70	68	4 54	4 54	41 14
Tekamah, Neb.	47	11 75	11 75	11 75	3 29	2 35	94	7 52	7 52	56 87
Waverly, Neb.	48	12 00	12 00	12 00	3 36	2 40	96	7 68	7 68	58 08
Wayne, Neb.	57	14 25	14 25	14 25	3 99	2 85	1 14	9 12	9 12	68 97
West Point, Neb.	78	19 50	19 50	19 50	5 46	3 90	1 50	12 48	12 48	94 38
Wilber, Neb.	36	9 00	9 00	9 00	2 52	1 80	72	4 76	4 76	42 36
Yutan, Neb.	40	10 00	10 00	10 00	2 80	2 00	80	6 40	6 40	48 40

Adopted.

Supplementary Report of Committee No. 12—On Letters and Papers.

Your Committee would further report a letter from Rev. J. F. Kuhlman, in which he states:

1. That he lost his parochial blank. We recommend that the Statistical Secretary send him another, and when received add it to our parochial reports.

2. The brother also feels that Synod should not allow a pastor to serve the Roca congregation until they have made settlement with him, their former pastor. Your Committee are informed that the congregation claim no indebtedness to Brother Kuhlman on salary, and the delegate now present assures us that they are ready to meet any other obligation the congregation may have. We would recommend the brother be referred to the Roca congregation.

3. He also states that he has been sick for two weeks, and now writes upon his bed. Your Committee express their hearty sympathy for him, praying that he may soon recover and be able to pursue his labors.

4. We also have a request from St. John's Evangelical Lutheran congregation of Fontanelle, asking for a dismissal to the German Synod. We recommend that their request be granted.

W. F. EYSTER,
G. H. SCHNUR,
SOLOMON SHRADER.

Report adopted.

Rev. Mr. Easterday, of the Presbyterian Church, was introduced to Synod and invited to a seat.

Synod adjourned with prayer.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, 2 P. M.

As per programme, the Preparatory Services were held.

The sermon was preached by Rev. W. F. Eyster.

After these exercises, Rev. S. B. Barnitz, D. D., Western Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, addressed the Synod and congregation on the work of the Board.

Synod was then formally opened.

Minutes were read and approved.

Report of Committee on Republican Valley Mission.

The report was received and considered seriatim.

In connection with the adoption of the first item, a subscription was taken to pay the note in Citizens' Bank in McCook, amounting to $125.00.

Mr. President:—Your Committee appointed to consider the Republican Valley Mission work, would submit the following:

I. The church property at McCook has an indebtedness of two thousand dollars, one thousand of which is a loan from the Board of Church Extension, seven hundred and fifty dollars is due C. S. Weiser, York, Pa., drawing 7 per cent. interest, and two hundred and fifty dollars drawing 12 per cent. interest is due the Citizens' Bank at McCook. The congregation is hard pressed for the immediate payment of the two hundred and fifty dollars due the bank, and also for the payment of seven hundred and fifty dollars due Mr. C. S. Weiser. In view of removals and the distressing financial depression caused by the drought, the people are utterly unable to meet these obligations; therefore, we recommend the following:

1. That a Special Committee be appointed to raise at once the two hundred and fifty dollars to pay note in Citizens' Bank.

2. That we earnestly solicit the Board of Church Extension to come to the relief of the congregation, by assuming the seven hundred and fifty dollars due Mr. C. S. Weiser.

II. The congregation at Kearney is indebted to the Board of Home Missions to the amount of about $2100.00, which by request of this Synod was temporarily loaned to Kearney by this Board.

Resolved, That we earnestly request the Board of Church Extension to take charge of this loan now carried by the Board of Home Missions.

III. The church at Franklin, Neb., has a debt of $400 with interest paid to October 1, 1891, at which time $20 advance interest will become due.

IV. Our church at Bloomington has a floating debt of about $150.

Resolved, That we request the Western Secretary of Church Extension to visit these two fields at once, and to ascertain the exact condition of affairs, and render such assistance as may be necessary to relieve their present embarrassment and save our church property.

J. G. GRIFFITH,
C. W. BAKER,
A. W. EASTERDAY.

Report of Beneficiary Education Committee.

Your Committee would report:

1. That during the past year Mr. W. H. Blessing, your beneficiary, has been pursuing his studies at Midland College. The reports of his standing are good.

Your Committee recommend that $175 be appropriated for Mr. Blessing's benefit for the coming year.

2. Your Committee would also recommend that Mr. Harmon Aughey Wolfe, who proposes to devote his life to the gospel ministry, be received on the funds of Synod. This brother proposes to take a select course in our College at Atchison Kan., and a full theological course.

We recommend that $150 be appropriated for Brother Wolfe's benefit for this year.

3. We also recommend that Mr. John Gutleben, son of Rev. Gutleben, be received and assisted by our Synod. He is now a student in Midland College, and bears a good report.

We recommend that $50 be appropriated for the benefit of this young brother for the coming year.

H. W. KUHNS,
JACOB A. CLUTZ,
J. G. GROENMILLER,
W. F. EYSTER,
B. F. CROUSE.

Report adopted.

Resolved, That the money and pledges taken to pay the $250 due the bank at McCook by the congregation be placed in the hands of our Treasurer until such time as we are assured that the mortgage of $750 will not be foreclosed.

Synod adjourned to meet in Ministerium.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

The Synodical communion was held in the morning.

Sermon by Rev. W. C. McCool.

Children's Meeting at 2 p. m., and at 3 o'clock the dedication of the church took place. The dedicatory sermon was preached by Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D., of Atchison, President of Midland College. The church was formally dedicated by the President and other members of Synod. With the subscriptions previously taken, over $2500 was raised to remove the indebtedness resting on the congregation.

The ordination took place in the evening. Sermon by Rev. C. Huber in English, and some remarks in German by Rev. J. G. Groenmiller, after which Rev. Fred. W. Buehler, of Glen-

ville, was ordained to the Gospel ministry, and Mr. Peter B. Fasold, of Sunbury, Pa., was licensed for one year.

Other Churches.

Presbyterian Church—Morning, Rev. S. B. Barnitz, D. D.; evening, Rev. L. M. Kuhns.

Centenary M. E. Church—Morning, Rev. B. F. Crouse; evening, Rev. L. P. Ludden.

Congregational Church—Morning, Rev. A. J. Turkle; evening, Rev. J. G. Griffith.

United Brethren—Morning, Rev. R. A. White; evening, Rev. G. H. Schnur.

Progressive Baptist—Morning, Rev. J. W. Kimmel; evening, Rev. C. W. Baker.

Christian Church—Morning, Rev. R. W. Petrea; evening, Rev. H. W. Kuhns, D. D.

FIFTH DAY—MORNING SESSION.

MONDAY, 9 A. M.

Synod spent half-hour in devotional services, after which it opened with prayer.

Roll called.

Minutes were read and approved.

Resolved, That the Statistical Secretary in preparing our Parochial table, insert the words "no charge" opposite the names of all our members who are not pastors.

WHEREAS, Our Synodical matters, on account of the formation of the new Synods recently organized, are in a somewhat unsettled condition; and

Whereas, We have full assurance that some of these congregations will desire to change their present relation; therefore,

Resolved, That the President of Synod be authorized to grant letters of dismissal to those congregations that make proper application with a view of uniting with these new Synods.

Report of Committee No. 8—On State of Religion.

Your Committee would respectfully report that there has been a blending of sunshine and shadow in the experiences of the churches during the past

year. And yet, on the whole, progress is shown in the various departments of church work.

Prayer-meetings have been fairly well attended, and spirituality is increasing. Some Young People's Societies have been organized and been instrumental in developing the spiritual life and character of the members.

The *Lord's Supper* has been regularly administered and participated in by the majority of the members.

The reports on *Infant Baptism* indicate that our membership are fully realizing its great importance, and are thus giving their children to the Lord.

Nearly all report classes of *catechumens* and good results from the thorough grounding of the young in the faith.

From the *Sunday schools* come cheering words of increasing numbers and activity.

There has been a healthy growth in *Missionary activity* during the year. And taking into account the great financial depression, it is a cause for thanksgiving that no backward step has been taken.

The reports on *Church life and work in general* indicate much more encouragement than discouragement. The prayer of the brethren is for a more devout consecration to God and his work, and a deeper work of grace.

May God grant their prayers.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. TURKLE,
D. Z. FOULK.

Adopted.

Report of Committee No. 1.—On President's Report.

Your Committee on President's Report would beg leave to present the following for your consideration and adoption:

Your Committee find that the President has kept a very careful account of all the facts that were brought to his attention.

We recommend that all the items not specially mentioned in our report be endorsed by Synod.

DISMISSALS.

Under this item we find: "That in view of the last item in the ex-President's report, and after considerable correspondence and counsel, as a matter of expediency, I finally concluded * * * to grant individual letters of dismissal to all our German brethren, in good and regular standing, who should make personal application" for the same.

After careful consideration of this action of the President of Synod, in view also of the fact that the General Synod has now received the German Synod of Nebraska into its connection, we recommend that this Synod endorse the action of the President.

INSTALLATIONS.

Your Committee finds that, according to the number of pastors who accepted calls to fields of labor, only a few of them have been installed. This

is not the fault of the President. Your Committee would hereby recommend that this wholesome and useful practice be followed out whenever practicable.

The items referring to Rising and Surprise, and the cases that have been before the Ministerium, and also the case pertaining to the matter of Rev. Opsal's sickness and want, have already received attention, and hence need no further action here.

The President presents to us four Recommendations:

In reference to the first:

We move its adoption.

In reference to the second:

We move that such a Committee be appointed and also collect our Standing Resolutions.

In reference to the third:

That WHEREAS, The Western Secretary of the Board of Church Extention has been on the ground during the last year, and the congregations at that time signed an agreement to settle this difficulty; therefore be it

Resolved, That we endorse that action, and pray these people to dwell together in peace and harmony.

In reference to the fourth:

We move that it be adopted, and that the President of Synod write to said pastor, congregation, and also the President of the Wartburg Synod, and properly explain the relation to this body.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. KUHNS,
W. H. HOGREFE,
C. HUBER.

Report of Committee on Excuses—Supplementary.

Your Committee on Excuses would recommend that Rev. E. A. Roglin and Rev. F. M. Andreason be excused from attendance at this meeting of Synod.

Adopted.

Report of Committee No. 9.—On Resolutions.

TEMPERANCE.

1. *Resolved*, That we re-affirm our former action deploring the great evils of intemperance and denouncing the traffic in strong drink as evil and only evil continually.

2. *Resolved*, That although greatly disappointed that the prohibitory amendment to our State Constitution did not carry, and deeply regretting the fact that the citizens of the great State of Nebraska did not purge themselves from the accursed traffic when the opportunity was offered, we are not discouraged, but now affirm our confidence in the principle of Prohibition and pledge ourselves to support all measures and men looking to its early establishment among us.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

1. *Resolved*, That in view of the wide-spread and apparently increasing desecration of the Lord's day by Sunday trains and travel, and Sunday work, thereby depriving many thousands of our fellow-citizens of the weekly rest-day, which nature demands and God has ordained, and also depriving them of all opportunity for public worship, we will unite with other Christian and philanthropic people in every lawful and rational effort to suppress Sunday traffic and work of all kinds.

2. *Resolved*, That we earnestly exhort our own people to abstain from all Sunday travel, excursions, etc., from the purchase and reading of Sunday papers, and from all other unnecessary employments or engagements on the Lord's day, whereby aid and encouragement are given to the enemies of that holy and blessed day.

3. *Resolved*, That we most earnestly petition the Managers of the proposed Columbian Exposition, to be held in the city of Chicago in 1893, to follow the example of the Managers of the Centennial Exposition of 1876 and close the gates of the Exposition on the Lord's day, in order that the thousands of employees may have their weekly rest-day and the whole world may know that we mean to preserve our American Sabbath as one of our most valuable and cherished possessions.

MIDLAND COLLEGE.

1. *Resolved*, That we have heard with great pleasure of the encouraging opening of Midland College this fall, the increased attendance of students, and the generally hopeful outlook.

2. *Resolved*, That we pledge to the Faculty our hearty sympathy and active co-operation in all their efforts to build up this Institution, which promises to do so much for the enlargement of our Zion on this territory.

3. *Resolved*, That we urge all our pastors and people to respond heartily and liberally to the call for aid in the erection of the new Ladies' Hall at Midland College, believing that the care and education of the daughters of the Church is of no less importance than that of our sons.

4. *Resolved*, That we reaffirm our action of last year, calling the attention of our pastors and people to the necessity for action and prompt efforts to secure the funds necessary to complete the endowment of the Nebraska Synod Professorship.

5. *Resolved*, That, in our judgment, it would be a wise move for the Board of Trustees of Midland College to employ a Financial Agent, at least for a few years, to give all his time and energies to canvassing the territory of the College for students and for money for endowment.

6. *Resolved*, That our pastors be requested to observe the day of prayer for colleges, by presenting the claims of the college, and of Christian education generally, to their people, and taking a collection for the Contingent Fund of Midland College.

THE OMAHA SEMINARY.

1. *Resolved*, That we hail with delight the movement towards the establishment of a Theological Seminnry in Omaha, so auspiciously inaugurated at Lebanon, and that we hereby pledge ourselves and our people to the most earnest and active co-operation in the great work thus undertaken.

2. *Resolved*, That we have the fullest confidence in the projectors of this new Seminary, and in the Board of Education, who have the work in charge, that nothing will be done or proposed to place it on any other basis than that of the General Synod itself, and the other Theological Schools connected with it.

3. *Resolved*, That we therefore call upon the whole Church to unite in this great undertaking, in order that our prayers and hopes may be speedily realized, to have an institution in our own territory in which men from the territory may be trained to occupy the many fields among us, white unto the harvest, but now neglected and perishing for want of laborers.

BENEFICIARY EDUCATION.

1. *Resolved*, That we are highly gratified, and deeply grateful to God, to learn that an increasing number of our own young men are being drawn towards the work of the blessed ministry, and that we urge our pastors to seek out such and encourage all who are found worthy.

2. *Resolved*, That we find in this a call for increased interest and enlarged liberality in the work of Beneficiary Education, and that we urge our people to meet promptly and fully the increased apportionment for this branch of benevolence.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Resolved, That, recognizing the great value of organization for the development of the Christian life and activities of our young people, we recommend the organization of Luther Alliances, or Christian Endeavor Societies, wherever such do not already exist.

LAY DELEGATES.

1. *Resolved*, That the Secretary of Synod be instructed hereafter to send to each pastor or Secretary of church council, at least 30 days before the meeting of Synod, a blank certificate for reporting the names of the lay-delegate and alternate elected to represent the charge in Synod.

2. *Resolved*, That all our pastors, or in the case of a vacant charge the secretary of the church council, be required to have said blank properly filled, and return the same to the Secretary of Synod at least 5 days before the Synod convenes, and that upon the meeting of Synod the Secretary place the names thus reported upon the roll.

MINUTES OF SYNOD.

1. *Resolved*, That the Secretary of Synod be instructed to have 1200 copies of the Minutes printed.

2. *Resolved*, That the covers of our Minutes be used to advertise Midland

College and the German Theological Seminary at Chicago, and for a register of our Church Boards.

3. *Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to retain at least 100 copies for the use of the Synod at its next session.

4. *Resolved*, That Rev. C. Huber be instructed to prepare a brief abstract of the Minutes in German, and have 500 copies of the same printed in circular form.

5. *Resolved*, That one page of our printed Minutes be given to the publication of Lutheran Statistics, now in stereotype form at our Publication House, the matter being entirely different from that in our last year's Minutes.

THANKS.

1. *Resolved*, That the hearty thanks of this body are due, and are hereby tendered, to the pastor of this church and his people, and to other citizens of Beatrice, for our kind reception and hospitable entertainment among them.

2. *Resolved*, That the pastor be requested to make this action known to his people.

Respectfully submitted, JACOB A. CLUTZ,
L. GROH.

Adopted.

Memorial of Rev. Thoele.

WHEREAS, We have learned with deep sorrow of the death of one of our former members of Synod, Rev. Wm. Thoele; therefore be it

Resolved, That in the death of Rev. Wm. Thoele, the Lutheran Church has lost a most earnest, devoted, and self-sacrificing servant of the Lord Jesus.

Resolved, That we hereby express our deepest sympathy with the widow and fatherless children in their great bereavement and sorrow.

Resolved, That we render such practical sympathy to the family as the temporal necessities of the same may demand.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the family by the Secretary of this body.

Respectfully submitted, C. HUBER,
H. SIEKMAN,
J. G. GROENMILLER.

Adopted.

Report of Committee No. 10.—On Leave of Absence.

Your Committee on Leave of Absence submit the following:

1. The following were granted permission to return home: Revs. H. J. Hapeman, M. L. Melick, W. F. Eyster, B. Sickel, A. J. Turkle, L. Schabinger, J. A. Clutz, D. D., C. W. Baker; Messrs. J. F. Wilhelmy, H. Grobe, G. A. Crannell, J. H. Breidenbaugh, E. Kiem, Joshua Martz, Saml. Mosteller, L. L. Alsbaugh, H. L. Hogrefe.

2. We recommend the following: That the members of Synod, both ministers and lay delegates, be required to come prepared to remain until the close of Synod.

LUTHER M. KUHNS,
J. G. GROENMILLER.

Report adopted.

WHEREAS, Members of Synod have returned home without asking to be excused, therefore

Resolved, That we hereby record our disapproval of such treatment, and herewith give notice that hereafter all who thus leave Synod will be publicly censured, and their names published among those not excused.

Resolved, That the Examining Committee meet at 9 a. m. on the day in which the Synod holds its opening in the evening, and that the Secretary append to the notice of the meeting of Synod, the notice of the meeting of the Committee, calling special attention to those who should come before this Committee.

On motion, Revs. A. J. Turkle, C. W. Baker, J. A. Clutz, D. D., and Mr. Allen Koch, were excused from further attendance at this meeting of Synod.

Rev. G. Endrulat, a former member of this Synod and now a member of the German Synod, was received as an Advisory Member.

Synod adjourned.

FIFTH DAY—MORNING SESSION.

MONDAY, 2 P. M.

Minutes read and approved.

As per special order, Rev. J. N. Lenker, Western Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, spoke in the interest of the Board.

Report of Committee on Our Church at Rapid City, South Dakota.

Your Committee to whom was referred the fourth item of the report of the Committee on Minutes of Last Session of Synod, would report:

That from all the evidence obtainable, we conclude that this congregation still consider themselves in connection with our Synod.

The investigation also revealed the following:

That the General Synod own a church building worth more than $500.00, with no debt upon it, but that they have no lot.

We recommend that the President of Synod correspond with the Board requesting them to purchase a lot and remove this building thereto, thus holding this point for our church.

L. P. LUDDEN,
C. HUBER,
A. W. EASTERDAY.
Committee.

Committee No. 12—On Papers and Letters.—Supplementary.

A letter from Rev. D. H. Bauslin, D. D., Secretary of the Board of Supplies of the General Synod, addressed to the President of this Synod, dated September 15, 1891, earnestly requests that he bring the purposes of this Board before our Synod at its present meeting in his official report. He further states that the Board of Supplies desires the assistance of our President, especially in the way of sending it information regarding brethren available for service and desiring charges, and also such assistance as he can render in any way in raising the apportionment in such charges as are without pastors. He also expresses his readiness to furnish the names of brethren in possession of the Board who desire pastorates to any charges within our Synodical jurisdiction.

We recommend that this matter be referred to the President of Synod, who is also an ex officio Vice-President of the Board of Supplies by resolution of the General Synod, to take such action as may be in accordance with the requests of the Board, and best adapted to promote the design of its appointment within the bounds of this Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
W. F. EYSTER.
G. H. SCHNUR.

As per action of Synod last year, the President called upon those not present at the last Convention and who were not excused. Rev. Augustine and Rev. M. L. Kunkelman were excused.

The Executive Council made verbal statements as to the work of Committee on Wayne Academy.

Report received and adopted.

WHEREAS, Rev. A. Yockle has now been received as a member of this body; and,

WHEREAS, He has no means of proving to those who may desire to know this fact before the appearance of the printed Minutes; therefore,

Resolved, That the President of Synod issue a certified copy of the action of this body.

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed to take into consideration the matter of establishing an Orphans' Home, and to report some plan at the next meeting of Synod. The Committee consists of Revs. C. Huber, J. G. Groenmiller, H. W. Kuhns, D. D., J. G. Griffith, and W. C. McCool.

Resolved, That all that part of our record both as a Synod and Ministerium in which the charges against several of our members appear, be recorded only in the protocol.

Resolved, That the President of Synod be authorized during the interim each and every year, to have placed on the roll the names of all brethren applying for admission with formal letters of dismissal from any Synod in the General Synod, the same subject to approval of Synod.

Resolved, That we hereby disapprove of the marked discourtesy shown Synod by the following brethren: Rev. A. C. Gerhart, H. C. Roernaes, D. H. Schultz, E. J. Hall, H. O. Opsal, A. Jatho, in totally ignoring Synod; that the Secretary convey this action to them, and that in case any of them apply for letters of dismissal, that the President refuse the same until they properly apologize to Synod.

According to the Constitution as changed last year, Synod proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year.

Election of Officers.

The election resulted as follows:

President, Rev. W. L. Remsberg.

Secretary, Rev. W. C. McCool.

Statistical Secretary, Rev. L. M. Kuhns.

Treasurer, Mr. J. F. Wilhelmy.

The newly-elected President was conducted to the chair, and Synod adjourned finally, to meet in Salem's Evangelical Lutheran church of Ponca, the time to be determined by the officers of Synod and the pastor *loci*.

I hereby certify that the foregoing record is true and correct, as I verily believe.

W. C. McCOOL, *Secretary*.

MINISTERIUM.

FIRST SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, 11 A. M., SEPT. 16TH.

Ministerium opened with prayer.

Charges against Rev. G. H. Albright having been preferred by the church council of Rising City, Neb., the charges (see protocol) were read, and a committee of five were appointed to report upon said charges to this body at 4 p. m. this day, as to the legality of the proceedings in the case thus far. The following constitute the committee—Revs. C. Huber, L. Groh, B. F. Crouse, G. H. Schnur, and R. W. Petrea.

Ministerium then adjourned.

SECOND SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, 4 P. M.

Ministerium opened with prayer.

Minutes read and approved.

The committee appointed this morning to report on the charges against Rev. Albright, made the following report:

Your Committee appointed to report upon the legality of the document placed in our hands, viz.: The charges preferred against Rev. G. H. Albright by the Church Council of the Rising City church, would respectfully present the following report:

1. Your Committee has inquired very carefully into the methods of procedure which developed the charges as herein presented, and find that the same are in accordance with the letter of our Formula of Government.

2. Your Committee is not in the clear in reference to the spirit of the Formula of Government on the point of suspension, and would ask of this Ministerium whether a minister can be suspended without a preliminary hearing.

C. HUBER,
L. GROH,
B. F. CROUSE,
G. H. SCHNUR,
R. W. PETREA.

The report was adopted, and the question in the second item was answered as the sense of this body that he can.

On motion, Friday at 2 p. m. was fixed as the time to hear said case.

Ministerium adjourned.

THIRD SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, 9 P. M.

Ministerium was opened with prayer.

Minutes read and approved.

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to notify the Church Council at Rising, by telegram, of the time fixed to hear charges against Rev. Albright, and demand the presence of witnesses.

Ministerium adjourned.

FOURTH SESSION.

THURSDAY, 9 P. M., SEPT. 17.

Ministerium opened with prayer.

Minutes read and approved.

The Education Committee stated that several applications were in their hands from persons not members of our church for

admission into this body. The Committee asks for advice. The applicants were referred to the Examining Committee for examination.

Ministerium adjourned with prayer.

FIFTH SESSION.

FRIDAY, 8 A. M., SEPTEMBER 18TH.

Ministerium opened with prayer.

Minutes were read and approved.

On motion, all parties implicated were requested to retire during the discussion of their respective cases.

The Committee appointed last year at Denver to investigate certain rumors affecting the character of Rev. B. Sickel, presented their report. (See Protocol).

The report was adopted, and on motion a new Committee of five was appointed to further hear Rev. Sickel and report to the Ministerium.

The Committee consists of Revs. Griffith, Groh, Baker, Schabinger, and L. M. Kuhns.

Ministerium adjourned with prayer.

SIXTH SESSION.

FRIDAY, 2 P. M.

Ministerium opened with prayer.

Minutes read and approved.

Report of Committee to Review the Case of Rev. B. Sickel.

Your Committee appointed to review the case of Rev. B. Sickel, would report:

1. They have carefully examined the case.
2. The brother has confessed to the items mentioned by the "Committee

on Investigation," has expressed his sorrow, manifested repentance, and promises "by the help of God," to be more careful in his future life.

In view of his willingness to make this confession to the Ministerium, we recommend:

The act of suspension in the case of Rev. B. Sickel be removed.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. GRIFFITH,
LUTHER M. KUHNS,
L. GROH,
C. W. BAKER,
L. SCHABINGER.

Ministerium now proceeded to investigate the charges against Rev. Albright.

On motion, the President was allowed to call Rev. C. Huber into the chair during the investigation.

The charges were read, to which he plead *not guilty*.

The following action was had:

WHEREAS, This Ministerium is not in possession of sufficient evidence to proceed with the investigation of the charges against Rev. G. H. Albright and reach a just and satisfactory decision of the case; therefore,

Resolved, That this case be referred to a committee of five ministers, who shall proceed with and conclude the investigation according to the Formula of Government.

The following are the committée:
Rev. H. W. Kuhns, D. D.
Rev. A. J. Turkle.
Rev. J. G. Griffith.
Rev. R. W. Petrea.
Rev. R. A. White.

Ministerium adjourned with prayer.

SEVENTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, 4 P. M.

Ministerium opened with prayer.

Minutes read and approved.

Rev. J. G. Groenmiller was appointed to take the liturgical exercises in the German in the ordination to-morrow evening.

The following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, We are informed that the parties making charges against Rev. G. H. Albright were duly notified by the President of Synod to be prepared to prosecute their charges at this session of Synod; and

Whereas, They have failed to respond to said notification, thus delaying the investigation; therefore,

Resolved, That this Ministerium hereby remove the suspension laid upon Rev. G. H. Albright by the President of Synod, pending the investigation.

Report of Examining Committee.

The papers placed in the hands of your Committee are as follows:

1. The application of Mr. Peter B. Fasold for licensure. This brother has spent two years at our Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, Pa., and proposes to return there in a few days to complete the full course of three years at that institution. He has been serving congregations in our bounds during his vacation, in a creditable manner. His examination was satisfactory to your Committee, and we therefore recommend him to this Synod for licensure at this meeting.

2. The "consecration certificate" of Rev. Frederick W. Buehler from St. Chrischona, Basil, was placed in our hands. He is an applicant for ordination. He has been serving congregations in Hays County, Neb. After a creditable examination, your Committee would recommend that this brother be ordained by this Synod at its present meeting.

3. The ministerial papers of Rev. Adam Yockel have been placed in our hands. These papers are a "Preacher's License" from the Wisconsin Conference of the Evangelical Association of North America, as Elder, dated May 1st, 1871; also a certificate of dismission from their Bishop to this body. After having had a colloquium with this brother, satisfactory to your Committee, and learning that his early training, conversion and confirmation were in the Lutheran church, we therefore recommend that he be received and his name be placed on our roll.

4. An application from a Mr. J. H. Reedy of Omaha, Neb., a member of the Episcopal Church and late a deacon (restricted) of said denomination, to be received into our ministry. Inasmuch as this brother is a layman and not a member of the Lutheran Church, your Committee cannot see their way clear to recommend his licensure.

H. W. KUHNS,
W. F. EYSTER,
J. A. CLUTZ,
A. J. TURKLE,
J. GROENMILLER,
B. F. CROUSE.

Ministerium adjourned with prayer.

SEVENTH SESSION.

MONDAY, 6 P. M.

Ministerium opened with prayer.

Minutes read and approved.

The Committee appointed by this body last year to investigate the charges against Rev. C. A. Fritze, made their report. (See Protocol.)

The report was received and considered seriatim.

Pending the discussion of the first item, it was determined to appoint a new Committee of five to further inquire and report upon the case at a meeting of this body this evening. The Committee are Revs. C. Huber, G. H. Schnur, J. G. Groenmiller, W. C. McCool, and L. P. Ludden.

Ministerium adjourned with prayer.

EIGHTH SESSION.

MONDAY, 9 P. M.

Ministerium opened with prayer.

Minutes read.

The Committee appointed to further inquire into and to report upon the case of Rev. Fritze, made the following report:

Case of Rev. Fritze.

Your Committee would report that we have considered the matter, and that at this time we find that without going on the ground nothing more can be done.

Your Committee has the assurance that if a suitable field opens up, pastor Fritze will change his field of labor; therefore, we recommend that the case be dismissed, and that the report of the former Committee be adopted, and the same entered upon the protocol.

C. HUBER,
J. G. GROENMILLER,
G. H. SCHNUR,
W. C. McCOOL,
L. P. LUDDEN.

Ministerium adjourned with prayer.

I certify that the foregoing report of the Proceedings of the Ministerium is substantially correct, as I verily believe.

W. C. McCOOL, *Secretary.*

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Augustine, I. N., Hastings	No charge																		1
Andreason, F. M., Deuel, S. Dak.	Bergen	1	1							3					10				2
Buehler, Fred. W., Hastings	Glenville														50	$2500 00			3
Fleck, E. Lee, Sidney	Trinity	1	1	1											37	6000 00	$800 00	$725 50	4
Fritze, C. A., Hastings	St. Paul's. (Ger.)	1				15	19	2		32	3	1			170	2500 00		1500 00	5
Foulk, D. Z., Grand Island	St. Paul's.	1		1		10	2	1	2	6		6			37	20000 00	2450 00	1600 00	6
Gearhart, A. C., Bloomington	No Report																		7
Gafert, Fred., Grand Island	St. Paul. (Ger.)	1	2			22		3		70		11	1		49	2500 00	750 00	450 00	8
Hall, E. J., McCook	No charge																		9
Hansen, H. P., 3050 Champa St., Denver, Col	Trinity (Scand.)	1		1		8	3		6	54		6			42	35000 00	16000 00	1552 18	10
Kuhlman, J. F., North Platte	First																		11
Kunkelman, M. L., McCook, (Republican Valley Missions.)	No Report															10000 00			12
Opsal, H. O., Denver, Col	No Report																		13
Roglin, E., Schuyler	St. John's.	1	1							2						2000 00		80 00	14
Shultz, D. H., Dix	No Report																		15
Siekman, H., Hastings	Hastings. (Ger.)	1		1			2			8					32			75 00	16
Hougum, J. C., Leadville, Col	Leadville	1	1							9					26	1500 00			17
Nuffziger, W. H., Kearney	New work (No report)																		18
Vacant, Carrico	St. John's.	1	1			6				5		6			55				19
Vacant	Potter	1																	20
Vacant	Central City	1																	21
Total		12	7	2		61	26	6	12	234	4	31	1		508	$81000 00	14000 00	$3082 68	22

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1	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
2	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4	1	..	10	48	....	$45 75	$17 83	74	$3 70	$9 25	$9 25	$9 25	$2 59	$3 70	.....	$1 85	$5 00	.....	$45 33	$816 54
5	1	..	12	135	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1500 00
6	1	..	10	106	....	281 79	.....	.....	1 90	9 00	5 00	10 00	2 52	3 00	.....	.. ..	.....	.....	32 02	1913 81
7	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	1 02	5 00	10 00	10 50	9 93	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 00	54 55	504 55
8	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
9	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10	1	..	....	12	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1552 18
11	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
12	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
13	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
14	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 75	81 25
15	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
16	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35 00	110 00
17	1	..	9	90	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
18	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
19	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
20	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
21	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
22	5	..	41	457	10	$327 54	$17 83	$1 76	$10 70	$33 25	$54 75	$30 93	$5 11	$7 30	.....	$1 85	$5 00	$18 00	$168 65	$6478 87

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Detweiler, J. S., D. D., 2518 Davenport St., Omaha	No charge																			23
Griffith, J. G., 2411 Lake St., Omaha	St. Mark's	1	..	1	..	10	....	2	4	4	....	6	3	..	67	$3600 00	$600 00	$1179 50		24
Huber, C., 1819 Pinkney St., Omaha	No charge																			25
Hapeman, H. J., Dakota City	Emanuel's	1	..	1	1	14	1	4	....	4	....	....	....	..	16	1275 00	....	342 00		26
	Salem	1	..	..	2	16	1	2	....	4	4	6	....	..	67	3300 00	....	612 00		27
	St. Paul	1	..	..	..	14	....	1	....	6	2	5	1	..	19	800 00	....	280 00		28
Karpenstein, J. H., Ponca	S. Sioux City	1	..	..	..										5	1650 00	300 00	60 00		29
	St. John's (Dak. Co.)	1	..	..	..	9	2	....	....	12	....	6	....	..	67	3000 00	....	550 00		30
	Salem, Ponca	1	..	..	..															
Kimmel, J. W., Tekamah	Emanuel's	1	..	1	..	10	....	1	....	1	6	4	....	..	47	1800 00	....	500 00		31
	Trinity (Oakland)	1	..	..	..	5	....	....	....	4	2	13	....	..	37	1800 00	....	460 00		34
	Grace	1	..	1	..	13	....	....	....	5	3	13	....	..	16	1700 00	....	450 00		33
Kuhns, H. W., D. D., 2433 Franklin St., Omaha	No charge																			34
Kuhns, Luther M., 2539 Pierce St., Omaha	Shull Memorial	1	..	2	..	24	....	1	2	9	6	11	1	..	50	10000 00	100 00	910 15		35
Ludwig, A. T.	No charge																			36
McCool, W. C., Ponca	Salem and Immanuel	2	..	1	1	15	....	7	....	7	6	10	5	..	81	2500 00	....	1400 00		37
Melick, M. L., Wayne	St. Paul	1	1	1	..	12	....	5	1	....	....	2	2	3	57	3000 00	....	550 00		38
Pugh, B. F., Tekamah	No charge																			39
Turkle, A. J., 511 S. 25th Ave., Omaha	Kountze Memorial	1	1	2	..	30	2	7	....	11	3	18	13	10	180	132000 00	19000 00	7464 00		40
Vacant, West Point.	Grace	1	..	2	..	19	3	3	....	13	2	4	1	2	82	5000 00	900 00	775 00		41
Total		16	2	13	4	191	9	33	7	80	34	96	26	15	791	$171425 00	$20900 00	15532 65		42

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23	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
24	1	..	14	130	....	$60 00	$57 00	$2 32	$8 94	$30 54	$52 83	$16 50	$6 32	$9 00	$57 13	$3 30	$9 09	$250 00	$445 97	$1685 47
25	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
26	1	..	12	35	....	18 50	.....	50	2 10	5 25	5 25	5 25	1 50	2 10	.....	1 15	.....	50 00	23 10	433 60
27	1	..	8	50	20	25 00	40 00	1 16	5 80	14 50	14 50	14 50	4 06	5 80	.....	2 90	.....	175 00	238 22	875 22
28	1	..	8	35	....	5 00	.....	22	1 10	2 75	2 75	2 75	78	1 10	.....	55	.....	25 00	37 00	322 00
29	1	..	7	40	....	17 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	77 00
30	1	..	4	20	....	.....	.....	1 30	6 50	16 25	16 25	16 25	.....	11 15	.....	3 25	.....	35 25	106 20	656 29
31	1	..	9	....	25	40 00	15 00	1 55	4 30	10 84	12 60	10 75	4 30	6 84	22 00	1 30	1 00	45 00	120 48	660 48
32	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	30	1 60	2 30	2 30	2 40	1 60	1 00	.....	1 00	45	10 00	21 75	481 75
33	1	..	8	....	25	35 00	10 00	1 70	2 60	8 00	6 85	9 90	5 70	2 60	24 64	1 30	.....	75 00	138 29	623 29
34	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
35	1	..	13	125	12	40 00	11 00	73	3 10	7 75	7 75	8 00	3 25	3 50	33 10	1 80	1 00	80 00	149 98	1100 13
36	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
37	1	..	15	140	42	185 00	25 00	1 36	6 80	19 00	17 00	19 83	4 76	6 80	16 05	3 40	6 02	20 00	121 00	1706 00
38	1	1	12	80	....	45 00	30 00	.....	2 50	13 00	11 00	10 00	4 00	5 70	10 00	1 00	4 00	10 00	71 20	666 20
39	..	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
40	2	..	30	325	....	432 00	218 00	7 90	25 40	46 25	46 25	52 30	24 20	28 55	235 00	12 25	35 00	684 90	1198 60	9094 00
41	1	..	23	260	....	153 40	.....	1 56	7 80	12 00	12 73	12 00	5 46	7 80	14 40	.....	.....	10 00	83 75	1012 15
42	14	1	163	1240	124	$1055 90	$406 00	$22 60	$77 94	$188 43	$208 06	$180 43	$65 13	$91 94	$412 32	$33 20	$80 54	$1470 15	$2804 94	$19395 49

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Albright, G. H., 303 S. 26th st., Lincoln	Zion's (Surprise)	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	2	..	..	34	$2000 00	$450 00	$430 00		43
Baker, C. W., Auburn	St. Paul's	1	..	1	..	22	2	4	..	7	3	11	9	2	81	6000 00	..	1007 37		44
Crouse, B. F., David City	Trinity	1	..	1	..	20	1	4	1	3	10	20	2	..	66	4000 00	1100 00	800 00		45
Diven, G. S., Wilber	First	1	..	1	..	5	1	2	..	11	..	7	..	..	36	1900 00	300 00	600 00		46
Eyster, W. F., Crete	Zion's (Roca)	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	5	..	2	4	1	35	2500 00	180 00	175 75		47
Groh, L. Lincoln	St. Mark's	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	26	9000 00	3000 00	6000 00		48
Jacoby, J. C., 300 S. 9th st., Nebraska City	First	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	13	7	..	1	..	4	73	5600 00	425 00	894 75		49
Knight, L., Yutan	No charge	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		50
Ludden, Luther P., Lincoln	Grace	1	..	1	..	2	1	..	..	8	..	2	2	..	33	..	..	450 00		51
Petrea, R. W., Pawnee City	Zion	1	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	8	1000 00	700 00	..		52
	Pawnee City	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1000 00	200 00	500 00		53
Remsberg, W. L., Beatrice	Trinity	1	..	2	..	9	..	3	..	3	1	2	1	..	..	7000 00	4600 00	90 00		54
Schnur, G. H., Sr., Yutan	Zion's	1	..	2	..	..	..	1	2	10	6	2	..	2	40	4500 00	100 00	1022 50		55
White, R. A., Benedict	Zion's	1	..	1	..	8	1	..	5	5	6	3	7	..	41	3000 00	760 00	429 93		56
	Bethel	1	..	..	..	5	1	3	..	2	3	6	2	..	35	1800 00	500 00	223 83		57
Zimmer, J. N., Rising City	First	1	..	1	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	40	6500 00	900 00	350 00		58
Zimmerman, J. Lincoln	Trinity (Waverly)	1	1	..	..	10	1	3	2	4	..	6	..	..	48	2500 00	..	380 00		59
Vacant (Sabetha)	Pleasant Hill	1	1	1	..	..	..	4	1	1	1	1	..	1	48	2000 00	..	705 00		60
	Berwick	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		61
Vacant (Stella)	Trinity	1	1	1	..	..	..	2	14	3	5	5	4	..	76	3300 00	..	670 00		62
Total		19	5	15	..	88	10	34	38	70	37	70	36	10	720	$63000 00	$13215 00	$14529 03		62

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43	1	..	7	63	....	$28 00	.....	.....	.....	$2 00	$2 00	$0 66	$6 00	$2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	$12 66	$470 96
44	1	..	14	142	37	34 37	$19 58	$1 25	$6 20	15 50	15 50	15 90	6 90	6 50	$40 50	$3 10	.....	$51 40	162 75	1204 49
45	1	..	10	100	11	20 00	15 00	90	4 40	11 00	11 00	11 00	3 25	4 40	50 00	2 20	$2 00	47 00	147 15	967 15
46	1	.	15	100	....	37 00	9 50	.....	.....	.....	3 61	6 25	.....	2 65	.....	.....	3 37	8 00	23 88	630 88
47	1	..	7	76	....	30 57	13 97	62	3 10	7 75	7 75	7 75	2 17	3 10	.....	1 55	.....	.....	33 79	240 01
48	1	..	12	60	....	18 00	2 85	6 00	2 50	6 25	6 25	6 25	1 75	2 50	.....	1 25	2 85	13 55	48 85	6066 85
49	1	..	10	65	....	127 40	18 00	1 64	8 20	14 59	14 59	14 59	5 74	8 20	25 00	4 10	.....	21 75	116 00	1138 15
50	.....																			
51	1	..	5	75	....	40 00	35 00	1 00	5 60	20 00	40 00	15 00	2 50	4 00	22 85	.....	8 50	49 36	168 81	658 81
52	1	..	5	12	....	8 00	.....	16	80	4 54	4 54	4 16	60	80	.....	40	.....	.....	16 00	} 539 10
53	1	..	2	12	....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	3 40	3 35	3 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 10	}
54	1	..	11	80	....	18 00	.....	4 40	.....	4 20	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 16	116 16
55	2	..	15	95	....	54 30	29 14	1 48	10 00	20 00	23 00	15 50	14 34	5 10	55 30	3 00	7 00	98 50	254 22	1331 02
56	1	..	9	60	....	14 25	7 72	64	3 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	2 25	3 00	19 60	1 60	2 94	16 60	73 83	517 81
57	1	..	8	60	....	12 76	2 10	70	1 58	2 21	7 35	2 30	.....	2 00	.....	1 00	2 10	11 40	30 64	267 23
58	1	..	7	40	....	20 00	5 50	62	3 10	4 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	25 30	1 00	5 50	.....	47 52	417 52
59	1	1	12	120	....	40 00	3 00	95	2 46	11 75	14 75	11 75	3 29	4 70	15 33	2 35	.....	25 00	92 33	512 33
60	1	1	22	120	....	20 60	.....	1 10	5 70	13 50	13 50	13 50	3 80	5 40	.....	2 70	.....	.....	59 20	384 29
61	.....																			
62	1	..	11	110	16	60 00	30 00	1 74	10 01	20 00	23 45	18 24	15 00	13 73	18 74	2 98	4 05	31 79	169 77	890 77
63	21	2	182	1280	64	$707 65	$181 91	$23 20	$85 65	$168 70	$204 20	$157 20	$70 32	$58 68	$252 02	$27 22	$38 31	$374 35	$1475 55	$16392 23

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Aughey, S., Ph. D., LL. D., Hot Springs, Ark.	No charge	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	64
Clutz, J. A., D. D., Atchison, Kans	No charge	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	65
Groennniller, J. G., Rockport, Atchison Co., Mo.	Zion's	1	1	..	..	8	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	..	9	$3000 00	..	$400 00	66
	St. John's (Polk Tow.)	1																	
Jatho, A., 873 Filbert St., Oakland, Cal.	St. Mark's	1	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	35	2	8	7	..	95	10000 00	$8000 00	1400 00	67
Roernaes, H. B., Norway, Kan.	Ch. of our Saviour*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1475 00	..	..	68
Rosenstengel, Wm., Albuquerque, New Mex.	Trinity (Sante Fe)..	3	1	..	..	4	..	4	..	6	..	..	10	..	36	500 00	..	250 00	69
	Zion's (Belen)																		
	St. Paul's (Albuquerque)																		
Schabinger, Ludwig, St. Joseph, Mo.	Zion's (Ger)	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	28	1	4	..	..	130	5000 00	..	650 00	70
Sickel, B., Rockport, Mo.	No charge	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	71
Total		7	3	1	1	14	12	5	1	82	3	12	17	..	270	$19975 00	$8000 00	$2700 00	72
Totals, 1890		87	38	36	7	491	84	91	107	645	60	288	179	37	4022	$182237 00	$56071 92	$38584 11	73
Totals, 1891†		54	17	31	5	354	57	78	58	386	78	209	70	25	2289	335400 00	56115 00	38744 39	74
Increase																	43 08		75
Decrease		33	21	5	2	37	27	13	49	248	82	79	109	12	1733	$46837 00		$19839 75	76

* No report. † Pastors and congregations have been dismissed to form the "German Nebraska Synod," and also to help form the "Rocky Mountain Synod," during this Synodical Year.

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Index Number.	SUNDAY-SCHOOL.					CONTRIBUTIONS		BENEVOLENCE.																
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LUTHER M. KUHNS, *Statistical Secretary.*

APPENDIX II.

Supplementary Parochial Report.

Pastor's Name and Address.	Name of Congregation.	Chicago Seminary.	Midland College.	Traveling Secretary.	Total.
Baker, C. W., Auburn	Auburn, St. Paul	$10 40	$22 00	$19 00	$51 40
White, R. A., Benedict	Benedict, Zion's			14 00	14 00
	Bethel			10 00	10 00
Kimmel, J. W., Tekamah	Burt Co., Emanuel's, Tekamah			2 00	2 00
	Grace			5 00	5 00
	Trinity, Oakland			1 00	1 00
Hapeman, H. J., Dakota City	Dakota Co., Emanuel's		5 00	10 00	15 00
	Salem			53 25	53 25
	St. Paul's			15 00	15 00
Foulk, D. Z., Grand Island	Grand Island, St. Paul (Eng.)	13 00	5 00	10 00	28 00
Gafert, Fred., " "	" " St. Paul (Ger.)	18 00			18 00
Frizze, C. A., Hastings	Hastings, St. Paul's (Ger.)	9 50			9 50
Siekman, H., "	" German Lutheran	50 00		10 00	60 00
Ludden, L. P., Lincoln	Lincoln, Grace		10 00	33 00	43 00
Groh, L., Lincoln	" St. Mark's			11 00	11 00
Jacoby, J. C., Nebraska City	Nebraska City, First			20 00	20 00
Turkle, A. J., Omaha	Omaha, Kountze Memorial		20 00	325 00	345 00
Griffith, J. G., "	" St. Mark's		104 00	57 50	161 50
Kuhns, Luther M., Omaha	" Shull Memorial			5 00	5 00
McCool, W. C., Ponca	Ponca			60 00	60 00
Karpenstein, J. H., Ponca	" St. John's and Salem			35 25	35 25
Groenmiller, J. G. Rockport, Mo.	Rockport, Zion's	103 00	16 00	10 00	129 00
	St. John's			31 79	31 79
Fasold, P. B. (supply), Gettysburg, Pa.	Stella, Trinity.				
Schabinger, L., St. Joseph, Mo.	St. Joe, Zion's (Ger.)	14 00			14 00
Albright, G. H., Lincoln	Surprise, Zion's		100 00		100 00
Zimmerman, J., "	Waverly, Trinity			18 00	18 00
Melick, M. L., Wayne	Wayne, St. Paul's			10 00	10 00
Diven, G. S., Wilber	Wilber, First			8 00	8 00
Schnur, G. H., Sr., Yutan	Yutan, Zion's	10 00	1 50	85 00	96 50
Total		227 90	283 50	848 70	$1270 10

APPENDIX III.

Table of Comparative Beneficence.

CONGREGATIONS.*	Total Benevolence	Apportionment, 1890	Membership, 1890	Paid on Apportionment, 1890.	Average Contribution per Member	Excess on Apportionment	Deficit on Apportionment	Grand Total	Membership, 1891
Albuquerque	$17 45	$32 70	30	$17 45	$0 59	...	$25 25	$273 45	36
Auburn	162 75	66 09	62	111 35	2 03	$45 26	...	1204 49	81
Beatrice†	8 16	76 30	70	8 16	12	...	68 14	116 16	71
Benedict — Zion	73 63	27 88	32	57 03	2 30	29 15	...	537 81	41
Benedict — Bethel	30 64	38 00	35	19 24	88	...	18 76	267 23	35
Burt Co. — Tekamah	120 48	46 62	43	75 48	2 80	98 86	...	660 48	47
Burt Co. — Oakland	21 75	9 81	9	11 75	2 42	1 94	...	481 75	37
Burt Co. — Grace	138 29	98 54	96	67 29	5 32	38 75	...	623 29	16
Dakota Co. — Dakota City	73 10	22 89	21	23 10	3 48	21	...	433 60	16
Dakota Co. — Salem	238 22	63 22	58	63 22	4 11	...	...	875 22	67
Dakota Co. — Homer	37 00	11 97	11	12 00	3 36	03	...	322 00	19
Dakota Co. — S. Sioux City	...	5 45	5	...	...	...	5 45	77 00	05
David City	147 35	47 96	44	100 15	3 34	52 19	...	967 15	66
Grand Island — English	32 02	39 24	36	32 02	89	...	7 22	1913 81	37
Grand Island — German	54 55	55 59	51	36 55	1 07	...	19 04	504 55	49
Hastings (Rev. Siekman's)	35 00	80 68	74	35 00	47	...	45 68	110 00	32
Lincoln — Grace	168 81	33 79	31	119 45	5 44	85 66	...	658 81	33
Lincoln — St. Mark's	48 85	27 25	25	35 30	1 95	28 05	...	6066 85	26
Nebraska City	116 00	89 38	82	94 25	1 41	4 37	...	1138 15	73
North Platte	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Oakland, Cal.	4 40	160 14	147	4 40	03	...	155 74	1539 40	95
Omaha — Kountze Memorial	1198 00	158 05	145	513 10	8 27	355 05	...	9094 00	180
Omaha — St. Mark's	445 97	66 09	62	195 97	7 19	129 88	...	1685 47	67
Omaha — Shull Memorial	149 98	33 79	31	69 98	4 84	36 19	...	1100 13	50
Pawnee City — Zion's	16 00	...	...	16 00	...	16 00	...	539 21	8
Pawnee City — Pawnee City‡	10 10	...	...	10 10	...	10 10	...		
Ponca — English	121 00	74 19	68	101 00	1 78	96 88	...	1708 00	81
Ponca — German	106 20	70 85	65	70 95	1 63	10	...	656 20	67
Rising City	47 52	55 59	51	47 52	93	...	8 07	417 52	40
Roca	33 79	33 79	31	33 79	1 09	...	...	240 01	33
Rockport (Mo.)	36 00	50 04	46	36 00	78	...	14 04	436 00	9
Sabetha	59 29	58 86	54	59 29	1 10	1 43	...	384 29	48
Schuyler	1 75	...	...	1 75	...	1 75	...	81 75	
Sidney	45 33	40 33	37	45 33	1 23	5 00	...	816 58	37
Stella	169 77	87 20	80	137 98	2 16	50 78	...	899 77	76
St. Joseph (Mo.)	24 00	54 50	50	24 00	48	...	30 50	674 00	130
Surprise	12 66	35 31	33	12 66	38	...	22 65	472 66	34
Waverly	92 33	51 93	47	67 33	1 96	16 10	...	512 33	48
Wayne	71 20	62 93	57	61 20	1 25	...	1 03	666 20	57
West Point	83 75	85 02	78	73 75	1 07	...	11 27	1012 15	82
Wilber	23 88	38 15	35	15 88	68	...	22 27	660 88	36
Yutan	254 28	55 59	51	155 72	4 98	100 13	...	1331 01	40

* Only congregations reporting on apportionment. † Effort to pay church debt.
‡ No organization at time of report.

STATISTICS OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH.

Lutherans in all Lands.

EUROPE.	Ministers	Churches	Baptized Members
Germany	13,850	20,450	28,369,000
Denmark	1,789	1,907	1,769,582
Sweden	2,418	2,408	4,677,176
Norway	869	960	1,795,814
Iceland	180	300	70,000
Faroe Islands	22	22	11,221
Finland, Russia	800	1,002	2,176,421
Poland, Russia	72	104	300,000
Remaining Russia	320	1,122	2,551,403
Austria	183	523	292,866
Hungary	718	1,162	1,130,150
France	124	93	80,655
Netherlands	67	58	73,696
Great Britain	26	48	30,000
Italy	12	13	9,000
Roumania	11	11	6,776
Servia	1	1	860
Bulgaria	1	1	120
Switzerland	8	9	11,095
Heligoland	1	1	1,913
Total in Europe	21,322	30,207	43,357,688
ASIA.			
Palestine	15	9	700
Hindoostan	134	86	67,924
China	26	18	4,679
Asiatic Russia	18	19	12,000
On Black Sea	5	5	3,716
Orient	7	7	1,948
Total in Asia	205	144	90,969
AFRICA.			
North Africa, Egypt	2	2	870
North Africa, Algeria	10	23	5,000
West Africa	40	20	9,264
South Africa	209	158	58,393
South Africa, Colonists	24	29	22,170
East Africa	10	4	140
Central Africa	11	2	100
Madagascar	42	404	40,000
Total in Africa	348	642	136,437
OCEAN CA.			
Australia, Colonists	76	252	100,000
Australia, Foreign Missions	10	7	281
New Zealand	14	14	10,643
Hawaiian Islands	1	4	1,000
Borneo	9	6	1,063
Sumatra	17	15	12,350
New Guinea	5	4	130
Feejee Islands	1	1	100
Samoa Islands	1	1	127
Total in Oceanica	134	304	125,694
NORTH AMERICA.			
United States and Canada	4,830	8,601	6,600,000
Greenland	15	12	10,000
West Indies	3	4	1,500
Total in North America	4,848	8,617	6,611,500
SOUTH AMERICA.			
Argentine Republic	2	5	6,000
Brazil	40	54	85,000
British Guiana	1	5	700
Chili	3	6	4,000
Paraguay	0	0	350
Uruguay	1	1	1,400
Venezuela	1	1	1,000
Total in South America	48	72	98,250
SUMMARY.			
Europe	21,322	30,207	43,357,688
Asia	205	144	90,969
Africa	348	642	136,437
Oceanica	134	304	125,694
North America	4,848	8,617	6,611,500
South America	48	72	98,250
Jewish Missions	20	23	.....
Total in World	28,925	40,009	50,420,538

Lutherans in all Languages.

The Lutheran is a church of many languages. The latest statistics show that of her baptized membership throughout the world 32,000,000 speak German, 5,300,000 Swedish, 2,500,000 Norwegian, 2,300,000 Danish, 2,048,000 Finnish, 1,250,000 English, 1,113,000 Hungarian, 624,000 Livonian, 480,000 Courlandish, 272,000 Esthonian, 80,000 French, 70,000 Icelandic, 48,000 Bohemian, and that in every other civilized tongue she is well represented. The Lutheran Church, though taking its origin in Germany, knows no fatherland or mother tongue. She is at home everywhere.

Lutherans in the United States.

In the United States, the Lutheran Church is doing Christian work in twelve different languages, and has 4,830 ministers, 8,601 churches, and 1,111,683 communicant members, twenty-four theological seminaries, twenty-five colleges, forty-eight seminaries and academies, fifty-seven orphan homes and hospitals, and 144 church papers, of which forty-nine are English, fifty-four German, seventeen Swedish, fourteen Norwegian, four Danish, three Finnish, one Icelandic, and two French.

96 Lutheran Foreign Missionary Societies Report as follows:

Stations, 357; foreign workers, 468 ordained and 260 lay; native workers, 144 ordained and 3,246 lay; female workers, 173; baptized members, 188,020; schools, 1,437; scholars, 66,742; native contributions, $25,253.08; income, $881,839.39; fields of work—Africa, India, Sandwich Islands, China, Abyssinia, Polynesia, Greenland, South America.

Growth of English Lutherans.

The General Synod, the pioneer and strength of English Lutheranism, has had a rapid growth, as will be seen from the following figures, although less than half of the members remained in her connection in 1867 after the unfortunate division:—

Year.	Ministers.	Churches.	Communicant Members.
1821	113	350	33,028
1864	955	1825	134,723
1867	579	944	86,933
1868	572	956	86,770
1891	1002	1450	137,110

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NOTE.—Many pastors have had the above figure inserted in their local secular papers.

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